

LANGUAGE ARTS

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COMPONENT	OBJECTIVES	COMPETENCY
I Speaking Forums	 Orally interprets a poem of a maximum of five minutes in length. Orally interprets a published prose selection of a maximum of five minutes in length. Presents an impromptu speech of 1 to 2 minutes in length. Presents a 2 to 3 minute well-organized informative speech. Understands and identifies the characteristics of groups and group discussion such as a panel, symposium, or forum. Participates in a formal group discussions. 	 A. The student can perform an impromptu and informative speech. B. The student can orally interpret both a prose and poetry selection. C. The student can identify and participate in a formal group discussion.
II Verbal Communication (Voice and Diction)	 Understands breath control and relaxation techniques. Recognizes his/her vocal range. Becomes aware of pronunciation, articulation, projection, and enunciation. Recognizes appropriate breathing techniques, tone, and pitch. Understands how language and sound is used to express and modify mood, feeling, and emotion. Understands the operation of the speech mechanism. 	A. The student can identify and understand the operation of the speech mechanism as it is used in speech and interpretation activities.
III Non-verbal Communication	 Defines non-verbal signals. Understands the function of non-verbal signals. 	A. The student can identify non-verbal signals when observing classroom activities.



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IV Research	 Locates books in the library. Uses vertical files, newspaper indexes, magazines, and reference books. Obtains information through computer services. Selects information from life experiences as a source of material for speech activities. Conducts interviews to obtain information. 	A. The student can demonstrate an ability to use the research facilities available in the school media center, in the classroom, and at home to fulfill their classroom activities.
V Organization	 Differentiates between an introduction, a body, and a conclusion in a speech. Identifies a variety of introductions and conclusions. Recognizes a variety of organizational methods (i.e., chronological, spatial, cause and effect). Constructs an outline from an assigned reading. 	 A. The student will present a well-organized speech which includes an introduction, body, and conclusion. B. The student can apply the correct outline format from a reading assignment.
VI Analysis	 Differentiates fact from opinion. Chooses and reads to the class an analogy from a published speech, magazine, or newspaper editorial. Constructs an argument using an analogy. Chooses and reads to the class an argument using statistical proof from the newspaper. Constructs an argument using statistical evidence. Differentiates factual from hypothetical situations to substantiate a point. 	A. The student can identify and construct arguments using various types of evidence and analysis.



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VII Critique	 Establishes criteria for evaluating a performance. Contributes constructive criticism. Recognizes the qualities of an effective performance including content, organization, and delivery. 	 A. The student can effectively evaluate a classroom performance. B. The student can participate in a teacher-led evaluative discussion of a speech and interpretation activity.
VIII Personal/Social Development	 Identifies the dress code appropriate to a performance. Applies an acceptable code of conduct for speech activities for both the performer and observer. Interacts with peers co-operatively. Focuses on the performance through a variety of concentration exercises. 	A. The student will demonstrate appropriate dress and behavior required for a performance.
IX Roles/Careers	 Explores careers in which oral communication skills are necessary. Discusses three careers which necessitate the use of oral communication skills. 	A. The student can explain the importance of oral communication skills in a variety of careers.