

**Millennium Middle School  
2016-2017 School Year**

**Speech 2  
Syllabus**

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**Communication plan:** The quickest way to contact me is via e-mail. I will return e-mails and make phone calls before school and during my planning period (Monday-Friday 12:35pm-1:30pm).

**Textbook:** *Speech*

**Course Description:** Speech 2 is a high-school level course designed to continue developing students' awareness, understanding, and application of language arts as it applies to oral communication concepts and formats.

**Objectives/Goals:**

The learner will...

- analyze a variety of speech forms.
- demonstrate appropriate formal and informal public speaking techniques for audience, purpose, and occasion.
- use research and writing skills to support selected topics and points of view.
- assess the veracity of claims and the reliability of sources used to support assertions by determining different types of evidence and determining reliable print and digital sources.
- collaborate amongst peers, especially during the drafting and practicing stages.

**Supplies required:**

- Pens, pencils, erasers
- Loose-leaf paper
- Composition notebook (NOT spiral)
- 1 purple, plastic, 3 pronged duo-tang folder (for STAR-used every day!)
- 5 sheet protectors
- Plastic 3-ring binder (1 inch)
- 1 pack of dividers (vocabulary, notes, speeches and projects)

**Class policies:**

- Cellphones must be off, out of sight, and out of reach during instruction, unless otherwise notified.
- Late work will not be accepted.
- It is the student's responsibility to obtain and complete any missed class work and homework.

The following is an excerpt from SBBC Policy 6306 (Homework policy).

*Students shall:*

- a. Understand that homework is part of the course requirement.*
- b. Ask questions to clarify homework assignments before leaving class.*
- c. Complete and submit homework assignments by the due date. (If the student has an excused absence, they will be required to request and complete the make-up work within two days of returning, as per SBBC policy. Zeros will be given for any assignments that are not turned in by the due date or make-up date). Under extenuating circumstances and at teacher's discretion, additional time to submit the make-up work for full-earned credit and grade may be granted.*
- d. Complete all assignments honestly in accordance with the teacher's directions.*

**Classroom expectations:**

- We dress for success.
- We speak properly.
- We are seated and ready to work before class begins.
- We refrain from eating, drinking, or chewing gum in class.
- We listen carefully.
- We work hard.
- We learn from everything.
- We have a positive attitude at all times.
- We respect others at all times.
- We succeed!

**Keys for Success:**

- Show up on time and ready to work hard.
- Have a positive attitude at all times.
- Keep yourself organized.
- Ask questions.
- Meet deadlines.