



北維州實驗中文學校

Northern Virginia Experimental Chinese School

2013 Fall Semester Speech Contest Rules

Objective: To promote Chinese speaking and reading abilities among students

Participants: All students in Experimental Chinese School

Categories: K1-K3 Classes: Nursery Rhyme Recitation Contest
E1 to H2 Classes: Speech Contest

Contest Time: December 15th, 2013 E3 to H2 Classes 2:10pm
K1 to E2 Classes 3:10pm

Contest Rules:

1. Time limit:
 - K-Level classes: No specified time limit and no penalty; suggested less than two minutes
 - E1 to E6 classes: one to two minutes, with 1 point deduction per 10 seconds above or below the time frame
 - M1 to H2 classes: two to three minutes, with 1 point deduction per 10 seconds above or below the time frame
2. Students may choose own material. Five suggestion topics for Speech Contest:
 - If I were...
 - My wishes
 - My favorite...
 - Why I learn Chinese
 - My most memorable event
3. The orders of the student appearances will be drawn in class a week prior to the contest.
4. Students will be evaluated by a judge group formed by three parents from other classes. Student(s) rated top 25% of the class will receive “Excellent” awards and student(s) rated the highest will receive “Superior” award(s) and represent the class for a demonstration held on 1/05 at Cafeteria.
5. Rating Criteria:
 - **25% - Voice and Articulation:** pronunciation, voice clarity, and control of volume
 - **25% - Appropriateness of Dramatization:** language fluency, conveyance of the idea and emotion of the material
 - **20% - Content:** Level of difficulty, age appropriateness and choice of words
 - **20% - Physical Presence:** posture, use of eye contact, and body language
 - **10% - Control of Time**
6. Demonstration/WMACS Speech Contest School Representative Selection:
January 5th at Cafeteria
 - K1 to K3 Classes 2:10 – 2:30
 - E1 to E3 Classes 2:30 – 3:00
 - E4 to E6 Classes 3:00 – 3:30
 - M1 to H2 Classes 3:30 – 4:00
7. Awards: Participants in all K classes will receive a participation award.
“Superior” and “Excellent” winners will receive a certificate of recognition.