



# 北維州實驗中文學校

## Northern Virginia Experimental Chinese School

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### 2017 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 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017      E4 to H2 Classes 2:10pm  
K1 to E3 Classes 3:10pm  
Speech Contest video deadline: before 1:00pm on 12/10/2017

#### 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.
3. The orders of the student appearances will be drawn in class 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” rating and student(s) rated the highest will receive “Superior” rating and represent the class at speech demonstration.
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. Speech demonstration/WMACS Speech Contest School Representative Selection:  
January 14<sup>th</sup> in the Lecture Hall
  - 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.  
Students with “Superior” and “Excellent” ratings will receive a certificate of recognition.