



CACA-Murray Hill Chinese School

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Subject: 2009 Intramural Speech Contest

Dear Bilingual Class Parents,

Murray Hill Chinese School speech contest will take place on November 14, 2009 Saturday 1:00pm -4:00 pm. There will be no culture classes on that day. If your child is not participating, please pick him/her up at 2:30 pm.

You may register your child during school hours beginning today until Oct 31, 2009 or through e-mail. To enter the contest, please fill out an application form and send it to the deputy language dean at the office (Rm.120) or to her e-mail address LanguageDeputyDean@mhcs-nj.org. You are required to draw a number from the box for your child and attach that number to the form to complete the registration. The speech shall be delivered in Mandarin except for terminology which cannot be translated. Parents and teachers may help in preparing the speech and coaching the students.

Delivering a speech in Chinese is going to be a liberating experience for both you and your child. **It has always been our goal to expand this event to our bilingual community. There are two groups specially designed for bilingual students.** Your child will be competing with other children who have similar age/proficiency. Don't miss the opportunity offered by the school! The top winners of each group will represent MHCS for interschool speech contests to be held in December, 2009 and May, 2010. The school will then coach the candidates and prepare them for these regional events.

We strongly encourage our students' participation in the speech contest.

Very Truly Yours,

Lilien Lin
Deputy Language Dean

Cc:
Henry Yiin, Principal
Richard Chu, Vice Principal
Chuchu Kang, Language Dean

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Rules and Registration Form

Please select a contest group on DOB and pick one of the two speech titles :

Group	Age	DOB (inclusive)	Speech Topic (select one)	Length of speech
CSL1	6 years old to 12 years old	Between 1/1/03 and 1/1/1997	1.The (people, thing, place, or object) I like most. 2. A dream (any dream or dream related). 3. Current event (a news within 3 years).	0.5 –2.5 min.
CSL2	13 years old and up (include adult)	before 12/31/96	1.The (people, thing, place, or object) I like most. 2. A dream (any dream or dream related). 3. Current event (a news within 3 years).	1.5 –3 min.

How would the Judges come up with the scores?

	Criteria	Description	points	weight	by
1	Techniques	accuracy in pronunciation and phrasing; appropriate volume, tones, and speed with no long pauses and filling sounds	0 - 10	40%	judges
2	Presentation	body language: eye contact, posture, gestures and expressions; visual cue; interaction with the audience	0 - 10	30%	judges
3	Speech Body	text organization: opening, body and ending; to the point; an interesting story and get your messages across	0 - 10	20%	judges
4	Time Control	within the limits: 10 points; over the limit: 6 points; shorter than the lower bound: 8 points.	6, 8 or 10	10%	time counter

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Registration Form

Name Chinese: _____

English: _____

Family ID: _____ Class: _____

Group: _____ Birthday: _____

Speech Title: _____

Speech Number: _____

Contact info: Tel: _____ e-mail: _____

Note: e-mail registration can be addressed to LanguageDeputyDean@mhcs-nj.org, but you will need to come to the office to draw your number.