

Hello, 6th, 7th, and 8th-grade parents!

Sacred Heart is forming a team for St. Robert Bellarmine Speech League, and we invite all students in grades 6-8 to join us.

Yes, we'll have fun, but the really cool part is that participating in speech league will help students of all abilities develop more confidence with communication, public speaking, and stage presence. This year, practices will include group drama games that teach valuable theatre skills while allowing students to have fun, build confidence, stretch their imagination and grow as an ensemble.

Students wanting to compete at the speech meets have the choice of performing a 3-5 minute humorous solo, dramatic solo, and/or a duet. We'll have many scripts to choose from, but for those with a passion for writing, the Bellarmine Speech League also invites students to perform original written works. Independent practice is expected for students competing in a meet.

PRACTICE: We'll meet three times a month (The first three Wednesday's of the month)

WEDNESDAY after school 3:15 – 4:15 p.m. - Room 206

FIRST PRACTICES: Wednesday, Oct 13 and Oct. 20

We'll talk more about Bellarmine and the goals each student has for participating, whether that be winning a blue ribbon or overcoming a fear of public speaking (or anything in between). :)

SPEECH MEET COMPETITION DATES

Saturday, November 13, at Our Lady of Lourdes, Columbia Saturday, January 15, at St Joseph, Pilot Grove

Saturday, Feb. 26, at St. Mary's, Glasgow

Diocesan meet on Saturday, March 26, at the Cathedral School in Jefferson City

SPEECH MEET - GENERAL INFO

- 9 - Noon (Schedule for speech meets) The Diocesan meet is typically 11 - 3.

- Only 8 students can attend each meet and only 4 students for the Diocesan meet.

- Students not performing at a meet do not need to attend but are welcome to come watch, learn and support their teammates.

SIGN UP

I'm excited to serve as the coach for Bellarmine Speech. If you have any questions or would like to sign up your child, please contact me, Liz Van Leer, at lvleer@gogremlins.com or (314) 960.1242. A sign-up sheet also will be located outside of the conference room by Dr. Register's office.

Looking forward to a great turnout to our first practice on Wednesday, Oct. 13!

St. Robert Bellarmine Speech League is sponsored by the Diocese of Jefferson City and is open to all parochial schools for membership.