Course Overview

Content Area: Course(s): **English**

Public Speaking

Time Period: Length:

Status: **Published**

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Aligned to Standards: NJSLS 2016

Revision Date: 2024

In compliance with the NJ Student Learning Standards, climate change, career readiness, DEI (Diversity, Equity, & Inclusivity), as well as other standards have been integrated within the NBCRSD curricula (NJ Administrative Code Title 6A: chapter 8; Title 18A: chapter 35).

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Sequence- Unit Titles, Summaries, and Number of weeks per unit (total = 18 semester/36 year)

Unit 1. Speaking in Public [4 Weeks]: In this unit, students will be introduced to the power of public speaking, as well as, the importance of developing public speaking skills. Students will also be introduced to public speaking techniques through a variety of resources. This unit will focus on terminology, communication apprehension, and listening.

Unit 2. Modes of Communication [5 Weeks]: In Unit 1, students were introduced to the Genius Hour Summit, which is the culminating project for this course. In this unit, students will continue to prepare their passion projects for the Genius Hour Summit while exploring various modes of verbal and nonverbal communication designed to increase speaking confidence, build relationships with the audience, and develop public speaking techniques.

Unit 3. Ethics & Public Speaking [9-10 Weeks]: This unit explores the value of ethics in speaking and listening. While students continue to prepare their Genius Hour presentation, they also engage in many presentation opportunities, affording them time to reflect, receive and provide peer feedback, and refine their personalized speaking craft. Students gear up for the Genius Hour Summit, an evening event, where family and friends are invited to hear their presentations.

Reporting Student Progress (link to NB's Assessment System)

All courses follow a balanced assessment system with Practice and Assessments.

Each category includes formative, summative and alternative assessments.

Accommodations and Modifications (link to menu)

Integrated accommodations and modifications for special education students, English language learners, students at risk of school failure, gifted and talented students, and students with 504 plans.