

Oh, the THINGS You Can THINK UP! SIGN UP FOR THE.....



2012 DFW YOUTH ENGLISH SPEECH CONTEST

Think left and think right and think low and think high. Oh, the things you can think up if only you try! ~Dr. Seuss

Objective: Foster self-confidence, promote interest in public speaking, provide an opportunity for youths to enhance their speaking skills by competing, and recognize the best to encourage all.

Eligibility: All students from 1st to 12th based on grade level during 2011-2012 school year (Spring 2012)

Participant Group	Group A: Grades 1 Group B: Grades 2 Group C: Grades 3 Group D: Grades 4 Note: Contest group may change according to the actual registration by grade	Group E: Grades 5 & 6 Group F: Grades 7 & 8 Group G: Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12
Date & Time	8:00 AM ~ 12:00 PM, Saturday June 30, 2012	
Location	Collin County Community College –Spring Creek Conference Center 2800 E. Spring Creek Parkway Plano, TX 75074 A map is available at http://www.collin.edu/campuses/springcreek/scccampusmap.html Parking will be available surrounding the Conference Center building	
Registration Deadline & Link	Online registration only at http://www.cie-dfw.org/ . Click at Event Sign up -> Youth Program Registration. Deadline is by 11:59 p.m. of June 24, 2012. Per student fee is \$10 by online credit card payment only. No late registration accepted and no refund.	
Awards	Trophies will be awarded to all winners at the Spring Creek Conference Center on the day of the contest (June 30, 2012)	
Contact	dfwyouthspeechcontest@gmail.com Registration Chair, Heidi Snelgrove 903-884-5422 or Contest Chair, Betty Wan 972-679-3757	

Speech Length Requirement:

Group A & B & C & D: 2-3 minutes	Group E: 3-4 minutes	Group F: 4~6 minutes	Group G: 5-7 minutes
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Speech Topic: Create your own topic. Contestants must prepare their own speeches, which must be **ORIGINAL**.

If you cannot think of a topic for your speech, you may choose one from the list below.

1. My favorite (person, animal, food, trip, class, TV program, etc.)
2. I wish I could (fly, have more spending money, drive, speak better Chinese...etc.)
3. If I were (a bird, a teacher, my mom, fireman, a president, etc.)
4. Why do I have to learn (Chinese, English, Spanish, etc.)
5. My dream
6. The greatest lesson I learned
7. My most rewarding (course, activity, or experience)
8. Choosing good friends
9. My most memorable experience
10. What I think about school, community service, or extracurricular activities

Judge Rules: Each presentation will be judged by:

Speech Development (20%)	Structure, organization, and support material
Effectiveness (15%)	Achievement of purpose, interest, and audience reaction
Speech Value (15%)	Ideas, logic, and original thought
Delivery (30%)	Physical : Appearance, eye contact, and body language Voice: dynamics and volume projection Manner: directness, assurance, and enthusiasm
Language (20%)	Appropriateness – to speech, purpose and audience Correctness – grammar, pronunciation, and word selection

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