

Dear Parent/Guardians(s),

Congratulations! Your child is about to embark upon the exciting and challenging world of public speaking.

This month, your child's school will be participating in the Florida 4-H Public Speaking school enrichment program. This educational program, designed to introduce fourth, fifth and sixth grade children to the concept of public speaking, is administered by your local 4-H Cooperative Extension Office.

Students throughout Florida will compete in classroom and school-wide speaking contests with winners going on to a county competition.

To prepare your child for this educational opportunity, your child's teacher has been provided with a series of instructional materials introducing the Florida 4-H Public Speaking school enrichment program. Throughout the month, your child will learn how to research, organize, and deliver a speech on a topic of their choice. Your child will need your support at home (from the selection of topics to the preparation of the final speech). Please share with them your own public speaking experiences (the good and the bad!) to encourage their participation.

We hope this program will further your child's confidence and that it will provide a solid foundation for his or her future educational and professional aspirations.

Sincerely,



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