

SPEECH MEET

During **November** conferences, the speech meet selection notebook will be displayed outside your student's classroom door. You will have a chance to select a speech for your 1st-5th grade student. Look through the book and sign up. The speech will be copied and given to your child later in the month.

Students in grades 1-5 will perform their selections, from memory, in front of their classroom in January. Choosing a selection in November gives your child plenty of time for memorization and practice. Teachers will guide students and give feedback at an age-appropriate level. ACSI (Association of Christian Schools International) sets the standard for the skills we practice. Students who receive the highest scores will demonstrate their abilities at an evening event where ribbons will be earned based on the ACSI scoring standard.

We are committed to training **every** student to build confidence, poise and public speaking skills. Not all students will be selected to perform at the final Speech Meet event. However, **every** student will learn and grow in their public speaking skills.

We believe that this program builds skills in **all** of our students making them confident orators. The impact of speech meet participation is proven by our NCA graduates who demonstrate public speaking confidence in high school and college.

Jan. 22-Classroom Run-Offs (9:00am)

Jan. 29- Round II, Grade Level Run-offs

Feb. 5—Evening Speech Meet Event for 3-5th Grade Finalists 6:30pm

Mar. 15- ACSI Speech Meet at Grace Academy in Marysville for selected 5th grade finalists.