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- Improve your writing skills
- Increase your knowledge about current events
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- HAVE FUN! ☺

The class does require work, dedication, and a will and desire to improve your skills, but it is also a lot of fun and you *will* improve your skills and your confidence!

For more information, check out the "Activities Fair" link on the Robinson webpage or talk with Mrs. Fulton in Room C108.

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Robinson's Forensics and Debate Team was ranked overall season champion for the small team division of the Northern Virginia Forensics League. Here members of the team are shown with individual and team awards.

Speech Communications is open to students in grades 9-12.

The course satisfies the graduation requirements for a credit in fine and practical arts.

See page 2 for more information about the course and how it can help *YOU!*

Top 10 Reasons to Take Speech Communications:

10. Prepare to compete with Robinson's growing and award-winning Forensics & Debate Team.

9. Forensics & Debate looks GREAT on college applications!

8. Do you participate in drama? The class provides another chance for you to practice your skills!

7. Get a grade just for expressing your opinions!

6. Prepare for careers in law, politics, business, education, and many more!

5. The course fulfills the graduation requirement for a credit in fine and practical arts.

4. Develop friendships with classmates based on mutual respect and diversity!

3. Learn to think about and argue *both* sides of an issue! Participate in a variety of speech activities.

2. Enjoy the thrill of competition DURING school hours!

1. It's FUN!

Student Testimonials:

Here's what previous students have said about the class:

- "Constantly speaking in front of the class has made me more confident and comfortable. I will use the skills for the rest of my life. Being able to speak well is an essential skill that every high school student must know. It will help them convey ideas and facts."
- "My confidence has definitely improved and the course has prepared me for the future."
- "The class will help students with every part of their life, whether now in high school, in other classes, or later in their careers."
- "Mrs. Fulton is really energetic and enthusiastic about this class. Her efforts are contagious and get others involved."
- "I am better able to argue and prove my point."
- "I've learned how to present myself in a more professional way."
- "I learned a lot from this class and it was fun!"
- "This is the one class that I can say I will use every day."
- "The class builds your confidence tremendously."



- "I loved this class. I thought it was going to be boring, but it wasn't. It has helped me to be a more comfortable, confident speaker."
- "You will use the skills in your everyday life no matter what you are going to do in the future."
- "I will use the skills that I have learned every day. Talking to others isn't a hassle anymore. I won't hesitate to give a presentation in front of an audience if I have to. Besides, my confidence in speaking has gotten to the point where I am no longer nervous or afraid to speak in front of others."
- "The class teaches you very important skills. In our present world, it is very important to be able to speak and speak well."
- "I wish I could take this class again!"

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Tell your counselor that you want to sign up for Speech Communications!

Need more information?

- Stop by C108 and speak with Mrs. Fulton.
- Email Jennifer.Fulton@fcps.edu
- Talk with current Forensics & Debate Team members.