

Youth Confidence and Communication (YCC)

Course Description

Understanding how to present oneself in public is a powerful skill. This course helps students improve their communication skills and develop their own natural confidence. Students will learn essential interpersonal skills and how to identify areas of challenge in an enjoyable way. Daniel Harbecke, who has taught children of all ages in several countries around the world, will teach this course.

Additional Course Information

Topics include personal encouragement, voice training, understanding of basic speech formats, skills to build confidence for addressing groups, basics of communication and interpersonal relation, stress and conflict management, techniques to improve speeches, presentations and one-on-one dialogue.

Objectives

Course focus will be in two areas: building confidence and improving presentation and dialogue skills.

Goals

- 1) To give self-reliance in addressing groups and delivering effective speeches.
- 2) To understand speech formats.
- 3) To offer strategies and techniques for public presentation and interpersonal relations.
- 4) To provide students with background necessary to analyze and understand media forms and effective communication.

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Make use of performance techniques.
- Identify the basic formats of speeches.
- Increase voice potential and speaking skills.
- Identify personal skills and areas for improvement.
- Reinforce the need for excellence in personal expression.
- Understand basic principles of communication.
- Memorize and recite favorite poetry.
- Make use of improved skills in their future homework assignments.
- Learn how to enjoy public presentation.

Staying on Schedule

Please consult the schedule and review the material in the order prescribed. It is important to review missed material because subsequent modules build on information from those preceding.

Required Materials

- Class folder for notes, homework, writing and assignments
- Notebook paper (about 50 sheets)
- Pencils and erasers