

COMPONENT	OBJECTIVES	COMPETENCY
I Speaking Forums	 Writes a bill or resolution for student congress. Presents a 3 minute affirmative and negative congress speech. Role plays the presiding officer in a student congress session. Identifies and applies correct parliamentary procedure. Participates in a round of L-D (Lincoln-Douglas) debate. Recognizes and uses the fundamentals of cross-examination. Participates in a policy debate or LCID (Limited Current Issue Debate). Presents a choice of an individual event; i.e., 7-10 minute oral interpretation, duo interpretation, dramatic or humorous interpretation, original oratory, or a 5-7 minute extemporaneous speech. 	 A. The student can identify and apply the format and mechanics of a session of student congress in the classroom. B. The student can identify and apply the rules of parliamentary procedure. C. The student can identify the format of a round of policy or LCID debate. D. The student can apply the elements of policy or LCID in a debate round. E. The student can identify the format of L-D debate. F. The student can apply the elements of L-D in a debate round. G. The student can identify and apply the fundamentals of cross-examination in a debate round or student congress session. H. The student can demonstrate the ability to perform an interpretive selection, an oration, or an extemporaneous speech.
II Verbal Communication	 Uses pitch and inflection to improve vocal effectiveness. Uses appropriate breathing, tone, and pitch. Develops vocal range. Demonstrates an ability to vocally interpret written material fluently, distinctly, and expressively. Pronounces, articulates, and enunciates all words clearly. 	A. The student can utilize the principles of voice production to enhance speaking activities.



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III Non-verbal Communication	 Recognizes nonverbal symbols and their importance in speech activities. Distinguishes between effective and distracting nonverbal cues. Makes valid inference from nonverbal information. Interprets the message of a speech. Overcomes barriers to effective listening. Incorporates and evaluates effective gestures, facial expressions, and body movement in speech activities. 	 A. The student can apply the elements of non-verbal communication to classroom speaking activities. B. The student can evaluate the use of effective listening skills.
IV Research	 Knows the criteria for high-quality evidence. Tests the guidelines for ethics in research. Properly records and files evidence cards from that source. Uses research time effectively. Lists places and sources to write to for materials on a particular debate resolution. 	 A. The student can process a primary source in a research assignment. B. The student can research the current debate resolution demonstrating knowledge of indexes, books, periodicals, legal publications, and government documents.
V Organization	 Develops various introductions for interpretive selections. Uses 3-point analysis in the body of a speech or debate. Understands the use of a flow chart. Flows a LD (Lincoln-Douglas) debate, a policy debate, or LCID (Limited Current Issue Debate). Understands the registration process and how to apply school codes. 	 A. The student can apply appropriate and varied introductions for various interpretive selections. B. The student can understand and effectively apply appropriate organizational structure to a debate, oration, or extemporaneous speech. C. The student can exhibit mastery in the use of a flow chart for any type of debate.



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	 Practices making individual event schematics. Practices pairing debate teams. Recognizes the use of a table sheet for ranks and points in all events. Understands the scheduling of timekeepers for various events. Understands how to acquire, train, and assign judges. Displays knowledge of an awards assembly. 	D. The student can understand the format and component parts of an interscholastic forensics tournament.
VI Analysis/Reasoning	 Recognizes the importance of reasoning strategies. Identifies reasoning strategies including analogy, cause and effect, and deductive and inductive reasoning. Demonstrates reasoning strategies in student congress, L-D (Lincoln-Douglas) debate, policy debate, and LCID (Limited Current Issue Debate). Uses analysis and reasoning to identify and extract fallacies that negatively affect a presentation. 	 A. The student can apply appropriate types of reasoning and analysis to arguments encountered in policy debate, LCID, student congress, and L-D speeches. B. The student can apply appropriate types of reasoning and analysis to fallacies encountered in policy debate, student congress, and L-D speeches. C. The student can identify and apply principles of philosophical analysis.
VII Critique	 Establishes criteria for evaluating other students' speech and debate activities. Uses evaluation sheets to judge other students' speeches and his/her own speeches. Recognizes and identifies his/her weaknesses in speaking. 	A. The student can evaluate his/her own and another student's performance using a class-developed criteria instrument in speech and debate activities.



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VIII Personal/Social Development	 Exerts a high level of effort. Demonstrates a realistic and positive view of himself/herself. Demonstrates friendliness, assertiveness, adaptability, empathy, and politeness in classroom activities. Exhibits interest in what others say and do. Exhibits civic personal and social responsibility. 	 A. The student can apply the elements of appropriate peer behavior for classroom speaking activities. B. The student can practice appropriate personal and peer behavior in speech activities in the school and the community. C. The student can apply the principles of appropriate personal behavior in a debating situation.
IX Roles/Careers	 Identifies 5 careers in which good communication skills are essential. Speaks to a variety of professionals who utilize oral communication skills. 	 A. The student can explore career opportunities in oral communication. B. The student can research and present a report on the applications of debate principles to a chosen career.