

Leland High School offers Summer Elementary Speech Workshops for rising 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Graders

If your child will be entering second, third, fourth, fifth, or sixth grade next year, he or she has reached the age when speaking in front of a class will become a regular activity. We all remember how nervous we felt before a book report or science presentation. In fact, public speaking is the number one fear in the United States. Even our most powerful business, government and entertainment leaders battle this fear daily.

That's why it is so important to learn—from an early age—how much fun it can actually be. With just a little bit of help, it's a breeze! And now students entering second through sixth grades are eligible to take a three or five day fundraising workshop in public speaking at Leland High School.

The course will be led by a teacher and coach Gay Brasher as well as by members of the Leland High School's nationally ranked speech and debate team. Mrs. Brasher just received the 2016 Marcella E. Oberle Award for Outstanding Teacher in Grades K-12 from the National Communication Association. She is a former SJUSD Teacher of the Year and National Speech and Debate Association Coach of the Year. Materials and activities in the workshop were developed by Mrs. Brasher and have been used successfully in elementary school classes and workshops like this one.

We'll use games and fun activities to build self-confidence and master key speech skills that the students will remember and use for the rest of their lives. Participants will write, practice, and present short speeches and debates during the workshop. We will be using all new activities; none will be repeated from other workshops.

It's time that young people learn to love, not fear, an unavoidable part of daily life. Their voices deserve to be heard.

FOR RISING 2ND, 3RD, AND 4TH GRADE STUDENTS:

The workshop will be held on June 28, 29, 30 from 9 AM to 11AM at Leland High School in room J2. Cost is \$175 per student.

FOR RISING 4TH, 5TH and 6TH GRADE STUDENTS:

The workshop will be held on July 10-14 from 9 AM to 12PM at Leland High School in room J2. Cost is \$380 per student.

Checks should be made payable to Leland Speech and Debate. Please write your child's name on the check. All proceeds go to Leland Speech and Debate. Scholarships may be offered upon request. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis. To register, please go to <https://goo.gl/forms/i4bHtcVWccz5wxsp1>. Mail your check to Leland High School, addressed:

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