

SPEAK TO LEAD, LLC

Dear young speakers, parents and supporters,

We, the Speak to Lead coaches and founders, are ~~greatly~~ grateful for your trust and support ~~in-over~~ the past year. As we ~~are-nearing~~ the end of 2016 and ~~prepare-ready~~ to embrace the new year, 2017, we reflect the journey we have ~~accomplish-travelled~~ and set our eyes ~~on-to~~ the new horizon.

The ultimate mission of **Speak to Lead** is to cultivate future leaders, speakers, thinkers and writers. All the 'soft skills' are critical for our young generation: ~~they must be to-be~~ resilient, empathetic, self-disciplined and self-motivated. By observing successful and happy people around ~~youus~~, we ~~can~~ see the power of self-~~development~~ improvement and ~~self~~-drive. Public speaking is ~~a a door to open your doorway through which you can discover your internal-inner~~ energy and a tool ~~to-that~~ unleashes your ~~internal-inner~~ potential.

Through ~~the-our~~ public speaking coaching, teaching and evaluating, we have seen our young speakers transform themselves: some have overcome ~~the~~ stage fright, ~~S~~some are now comfortable to talk to adults, strangers, even disruptive audience, ~~-~~ ~~and-S~~some have learned how to listen attentively.

We also have tested and implemented ~~the-an~~ online coaching platform. ~~#-This~~ has been a new venue, but we have ~~been-become~~ better at it week by week. Thanks for your patience and tolerance. With ~~the-a~~ virtual classroom, we are able to retain the most experienced and most compassionate coaches around the country, and we have students from ~~all-many~~ states. We have even invited a TEDx speaker, **Patrick Schwerdtfeger**, and Toastmasters World Champion, **Ed Tate**, to speak to us at home! Thank you, zoom.us, for making ~~the~~-virtual interactive learning a reality.

During our classes

~~W~~we have demonstrated and analyzed over ~~sixty-60~~ great speeches, from Steve Jobs to Toastmasters World Champions, from TED talk to presidential speeches, and presented to audiences that range from school boards ~~to~~ to the United Nation. We have learned how a great idea ~~evolvesis-morphed~~, how ~~a-to write a~~ great ~~transcript~~ scriptis-written, and how ~~a-to deliver a~~ great speech ~~-is-delivered~~. We observe them, we emulate them, and then we surpass them-!

We have been fortunate to have a core coaching team with diverse backgrounds and experience. Coach Juliette has extensive experience in communication, leadership of women, conflict management, finance and accounting. Coach Nick has strong ~~imagination-imaginative~~ powers and engages the students immensely. Coach Margret Ann brings her professional writing skills, loving attitude and her lovely cat to the class.

Looking forward, we ~~are-continue~~ toing growing and expand this exciting and worthwhile ventureing. We realize that speaking powerfully depends on writing clearly, and writing clearly depends on critical, careful ~~thinkingthinking-critically~~. We are exploring new classes beyond ~~the-our current S~~speaking 101, 201, and 301. We will roll out leadership and emotional intelligence coaching, we will focus on critical thinking and clear writing, and we will nurture ~~the-a~~ cultured social manner. I welcome your feedback to our program, and I want to hear your suggestions on-as to what skillsets our children need most that are not often offered elsewhere.

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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