**Public Speaking – Course Syllabus – 2014-2015 School Year**

**Quarter 1 - Public Speaking Introduction**

* “The Last Lecture” – Speech example
* **“**Self Intro Informal Speech” – Personal Story
* Dealing with Nerves
* Speech Preparation
* Delivery Techniques/Skills
* Speech Practice
* Children’s Poetry Oral Memorization
* Interviewing Skills
* “Meet Our Guest” Speech
* Transcribed Speech Evaluations
* Weekly Reflection Journals

**Quarter 2 - Informative Speeches**

* Speech Examples – Videos
* Informative Speech Skills
* Effective PowerPoint Presentations
* “How-to” Speech
* “Question and Answer” Speech
* “Historical Profile” – Speech
* Weekly Reflection Journals
* “Historical Profile” Speech – Peer, Teacher Evaluations
* Extra Possibility – Time Permitting - “News Cast” Group Speeches – Anchor, Sports, Weather

**Quarter 3 - Persuasive Speeches**

* Persuasive Speech Techniques
* Formal Debate Topics
* Small Group Debate Session
* Major Persuasive Speech – Teacher Approved Topic
* Persuasive Speech Evaluations – Peer, Teacher
* Weekly Reflection Journals

**Quarter 4 - Dramatic Interpretations**

* Classic Poetry Recitation
* Dramatic Monologue
* Acting Monologue Analysis - Essay
* Dramatic Partner Scene
* Weekly Reflection Journals