

January 6, 2025

Principals:

Christ the King School will host the **Christ the King Middle School Speech Contest** on Thursday, April 24th, 2025. Participating schools must register online by Monday, February 3rd, 2025, at this link: [School Registration](#). After registration, more details will follow.

This contest aims to nurture the art of public speaking, foster spiritual growth, and build a sense of community among the youth of our Archdiocese. It will provide a platform for participants to express their faith, share their perspectives on relevant topics, and enhance their communication skills.

I. Objectives:

- Spiritual Growth: Encourage participants to explore and express their faith through speech
- Communication Skills: Develop participants' public speaking, persuasion, and articulation abilities
- Community Building: Foster a sense of camaraderie and unity among participants and spectators
- Leadership Development: Empower youth to become confident leaders and advocates for positive change
- Promoting Faith Values: Reinforce and celebrate the core values of our Archdiocese

II. Contest Details:

- Topic:
 - Lessons of Humility and Accountability from Religious Leaders
 - Highlight stories of religious figures who exemplified accountability as a form of faith in action
- Eligibility:
 - Open to all Middle School students (Grades 5 - 8)
 - Participants must be a student within the Archdiocese of Omaha
- Student Representative Registration:
 - Each registering Catholic school may have **one** student representative
 - Deadline for online registration of this **one** student representative is Friday, April 11th, 2025, @ 3:30 pm

III. Contest Logistics:

- Venue: Christ the King Parish Center
 - Date: Thursday, April 24th, 2025
 - Time: 1:00 pm
- Judges: CTK will recruit qualified judges from academia and communication experts
- Contact Info: Tina Preuss @ tina.preuss@ctkomaha.school

The Christ the King Middle School Speech Contest will serve as a beacon of inspiration and empowerment for our youth, aligning with the Archdiocese's mission to nurture faith, community, and leadership. This event will not only enrich the participants' lives, but also strengthen the fabric of our Archdiocesan community. Together, we can empower voices and transform lives through faith and eloquence.