

2022 Michigan Chinese School Speech Event

Date: April 23, 2022 (Saturday)

Time: 1:30 PM

Location: MCS classrooms at Ward Church

(Presentation by Zoom streaming)

Registration: 3/11/2022 - 3/30/2022 Please register online at https://www.michiganchineseschool.org/blog/?page_id=6367
(You may also go to the school website <https://www.michiganchineseschool.org/>
From the dropdown menu under "About Us", click on "學校主要活動 Major activities", and you will be linked to the event registration page.)



Youtube Video Link Submission: Student's presentation is pre-recorded and uploaded to Youtube. Youtube video link must be submitted by 4/13/2022 (Wednesday) 11:59 PM (EST) to this email: MCSSpeechcontest@gmail.com

Check-In Time : Students check in at 1:15 – 1:25 PM in their classrooms with their teachers.

Qualifications:

- a) Participating students must be enrolled at MCS.
- b) **Group 1 to 5:** Students who have resided in non-Mandarin speaking countries for a duration longer than in Mandarin-speaking countries (beginning from age 2 and onward). Students who have resided in Mandarin-speaking countries for 180 consecutive days within three years of May 7th, 2022 should register for Group 6.
- c) **Group 6:** Students who have resided in non-Mandarin speaking countries for a duration shorter than within Mandarin-speaking countries (beginning from age 2 and onward).
- d) **Group 8, 9, 10 Reciting:**
 - Neither of the student's parents speak fluent Mandarin.
 - The student must be approved by the teacher to qualify for the competition.
 - The actual age of the participant is calculated based on the inter-school competition date (May 7th, 2022).

Group 8:	Age 4- 10
Group 9:	Age 11 - 15
Group 10:	Age 16+

Group and speech time limit :

Group	Current Grade in American School(s)	Time Limits
1	Kindergarten and under	45 sec. to 2 min.
2	First, Second	45 sec. to 2 min.
3	Third, Fourth	45 sec. to 2 min.
4	Fifth, Sixth,	1.5 min. to 3 min.
5	Seventh and older	1.5 min. to 3 min.
6	No Restriction	1.5 min. to 3 min.
7	Multimedia Presentation (1~3-member group)	3 min. to 4 min.
8	Recite, CFL lower grades: 4 years to 10	30 sec. to 2 min.
9	Recite, CFL upper grades: 11 years to 15	45 sec. to 3 min.
10	Recite, CFL Adults: 16 and older	45 sec. to 3 min.

Group 7 – Multimedia Presentation:

- The 1 or 2-member team will prepare a 3-4 minute presentation on a topic of their choice, and answer three questions from the judges (Q&A session). All team-members must take turns to answer questions (each person answering at least one question). Questions from judges must be relevant to the presentation.
- During presentation preparation, students may consult parents and teachers.
- Students may use multimedia applications, body language or poster for their presentation. All verbal communication and responses to judges must be in Mandarin, and traditional-Chinese fonts are strongly encouraged.
- Presentations containing any reference to politics, violence, lewd language, sexual and other inappropriate content will be discontinued immediately.
- Presentation is pre-recorded and uploaded to Youtube. Please submit Youtube video link and any supporting files to MCSspeechcontest@gmail.com
- Q&A session is live on the event day 4/23/22.
- Multimedia presentation files will be preserved by MCS as educational references to be shared with MCS teachers and students.
- We hope to promote engaged learning in Chinese culture through student participation in this interactive multimedia presentation experience.

Evaluation Criteria:

G1 to G6 (Speech)

Item	Description	Percentage
A	Pronunciation, Articulation	35%
B	Fluency, Content (age appropriate)	35%
C	Expression, Body language, Voice control	30%

G7 (Multimedia Presentation)

Item	Description	Percentage
A	Content (consistent, reasonable)	30%
B	Mandarin Fluency, Articulation, Pronunciation	20%
C	Response to questions	20%
D	Multimedia Design and Creativity	20%
E	Timing	10%

G9 to G11 (Recite)

Item	Description	Percentage
A	Pronunciation, Articulation, Clarity	45%
B	Fluency, Voice control	35%
C	Content, Expression, Body language	20%

a) Description of each item:

- “Pronunciation, Articulation”: clear, audible voice with appropriate language skills.
- “Content” needs to be age appropriate, consistent and logical.
- “ Expression and Body language” includes but is not limited to appropriate apparel, eye contact, stage presence, and facial expressions.
- “Voice control”: speech is poised and controlled with appropriate pace, pauses, pitch, and volume.

b) Group 1 to Group 5: If the students have difficulty memorizing their speech, they are permitted to read from a script to relieve pressure.

c) Any questions concerning the judges’ comments can be raised during the feedback session.

Speech Presentation on Date of Event:

- a) All Students' presentations are pre-recorded and uploaded to Youtube. The multi-media groups will have a live Q&A session with judges on the event day.
- b) Order of presentation will be determined by length of video, with the shorter videos presented first.
- c) All participants must be present during the presentation of their group's videos.
- d) Videos exceeding the time requirement will be discontinued.

Inter-school Speech Contest:

Top-performing students in the MCS Speech Event will have the opportunity to represent our school at the Inter-School speech Contest on 5/07/2022.

Speech/ Presentation/ Recite Video Upload Instructions:

- Video link submission deadline is 4/13/2022 (Wednesday) by 11:59pm (EST). Please submit Youtube video LINK to MCSspeechcontest@gmail.com
- Submissions received after the deadline will not be accepted.
- Please upload your speech video to Youtube. The privacy setting is "Unlisted. Anyone with the video link can see this video"
- Instructions for uploading and adjusting privacy settings on Youtube can be found here: [Youtube uploading/privacy tutorial](#)
- Please ensure the video resolution is 1080p or set to HD. Speech video does not have to show student's full body as long as their movements are clearly visible on camera.
- Please review the video prior to submission to ensure successful playback and adherence to the time limit.
- Parents and/or students will retain full control over the uploaded video's privacy settings after the speech event. Video can be made either completely private or removed from Youtube at parents' own discretion.

Event Rules & Etiquettes:

- Please remember to mute yourself during speech presentations.
- Turning on camera is strongly encouraged.
- Student camera must be turned on during feedback from judges.
- By registering to participate in this event, participants agree to adhere to the rules of MCS and give permission to MCS to use event pictures, presentations and other texts for publicity and web content.