

Oral Language

Oral Language is a great opportunity to express yourself and your talents! There are 3 categories: Humorous Solo or Duo, Serious Solo or Duo, and Verse Choir.

The following dates are VERY IMPORTANT!

October 10th - Choose a book

October 17th - MEMORIZE THE BOOK

November 5th - Show Mrs. Hoffman that your book is memorized

November 17th –Oral Language Performance at Columbia

November 21st- District Oral Language

Choosing a story: The piece must be from a published source; such as a book. Newsletters, internet sources, and newspapers are not acceptable. The literature should be appropriate for age and audience. You may choose a chapter from a book or multiple selections. You may remove parts for time requirements, but you may not add any text. Sound effects are allowed if they are written in the text “Moo” “Ouch”. Suggestions for various oral language pieces may be found at Kern County Public Library. Google search: Kern County Library Oral Language

Time Limit: 3-5 minutes

The performance: No props or costumes. Duos should not dress alike. You should look presentable wearing nice clothes that you will not tug on during the performance. (Tuck in your shirt)

Humorous or Serious Solo Rules

State the title/Author

Time- 3 to 5 minutes

Selection must be memorized

Solos can move their feet, move around the stage

Use appropriate voice, rate of speaking, and gestures to gain and keep the audience's attention

Humorous or Serious Duo Rules

2 people

State the title/Author

Time- 3 to 5 minutes

Selection must be memorized

Balance of solo and duo parts

Duos cannot move their feet

Use appropriate voice, rate of speaking, and gestures to gain and keep the audience's attention

Verse Choir Rules

3-8 people

State the title/Author

Time- 3 to 5 minutes

Selection must be memorized

Cannot move their feet

Balance of small and large group parts. No solo or dominating voices

Use appropriate voice, rate of speaking, and gestures to gain and keep the audience's attention