



Dear Parents/Guardians of a BPSD Speech and Debate Student,

We are so thrilled to be able to present students with the opportunity to develop their speaking and communication skills at a time when these traits are more necessary than ever to experience continued success. However, we cannot provide this opportunity to students without your help in this process. Speech and Debate, especially at the Middle School and High School level, requires topics and literature that deal with socially significant topics, most of the speeches that win are of a controversial nature. We are trying to balance the literature we give to students to develop them as communicators, while giving them a competitive advantage. We want to be mindful of what individual parents perceive to be appropriate and accommodate as such. We are respectfully asking for your help by reviewing the script we would like to assign to your child, to make sure that you approve of the content, language, and overall message of the script. If there are issues with the script we are happy to change the piece and send another for your review.

Thank you for your partnership in providing students with skills that will help them throughout their entire lives, we truly believe good communication is not only valuable, but also, essential!

Sincerely,

Adriena Toghia
Speech & Debate Coordinator

Please sign and return the bottom portion of this slip and the copy of their script in the envelope to your child's coach by _____.

Child's Name

Grade level

School Site

_____ I have read and reviewed the script provided and I **fully approve its use by my child** to compete in BP tournaments.

_____ I have read and reviewed the script provided and I **do not approve its use by my child**. Please provide another script for review.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Printed Name