

## What is Forensics?

Forensics is an extracurricular activity offered to students in 6th, 7th & 8th grade. The purpose of middle school forensics is to build self-confidence and oral competency by developing and practicing fundamental public speaking skills at different competitions throughout the season.

## When is the Middle School Forensics Season?

Practices will begin this week on Thursday, December 16th. Competitions are not official just yet, but they typically take place on Fridays or Saturdays in February and March.

## **How Does Forensics Work?**

With the help of their coaches, team members prepare an oral presentation from one of eighteen different categories including: Prose, Poetry, Storytelling, News Reporting, Solo Acting and Group Acting, Group Improvisation, and Demonstration. These selections are then performed at scheduled tournaments where students are evaluated according to individual category standards.

## When and Where Will Practices Be Held?

Practices will be held on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays in Mr. Schwoerer's room, 139 in the elementary wing. Students can be picked up in the elementary parking lot when practice is over. There will be a "late bus," which will provide transportation at 5:00 p.m. for any students who may need a ride.

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