

An Invitation from NJFL

Would you like to join a national honor society? One which will help you to develop your speaking and leadership skills?

You can!

We invite you to become a member of the National Junior Forensic League.

What can NJFL do for you?

Participation in NJFL will improve your communication skills, help you improve your grades, and introduce you to new friends.

NJFL encourages you to speak to audiences, rewards your participation in speech activities, and offers recognition for your communication achievements.

NJFL activities will help you gain poise and self confidence, and train you to become a leader.



What has NFL done for others?

The National Forensic League, the high school honor society on which NJFL is based, has trained many prominent Americans: Vice President Hubert Humphrey, Senators Karl Mundt, David Boren and Richard Lugar, actor James Dean, actress Shelly Long, television host Oprah Winfrey, Commentator Rush Limbaugh, news anchor Jane Pauley, Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer, Comedian Kelsey Grammer, and thousands of other leaders in politics, business, education, law, the media and public service.

How can you be a part of NJFL?

School membership begins when your school obtains an NJFL charter.

Individual life membership is open to both students and teachers at member schools. Members receive a membership card, a hand engrossed membership certificate, an opportunity to earn advanced degrees, and the option to wear the NJFL pin.

A Promise from NJFL

If you join NJFL you will develop new skills, make new friends . . . and have fun!

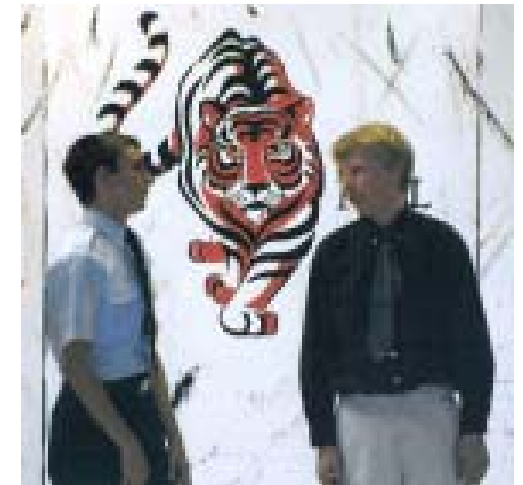
NJFL Activities

Participation Points

Students may earn one point for participating in any oral communication activity chosen by the instructor. Examples include, but are not limited to: reading school announcements; emceeding assemblies or events; reading a passage at a school or religious assembly; leading the pledge of allegiance at a school assembly; announcing sports or games; reading or speaking on radio or TV.

Presentation Points

Students may earn two points for each oral presentation activity selected by the instructor. Examples include, but are not limited to: Writing and delivering a speech, presenting an oral essay or research report, or making an oral book report in class; making a speech to a group of twenty or more adults; participation in a class or interscholastic debate or panel discussion; participation in a round of individual speaking events at a speech festival or contest; performing a reading for a class project (poem, prose selection, cutting from a play); making a presentation or demonstration (speech, lecture, etc.) in a class; participating in a student congress, model UN or youth legislature. All speeches and readings must be at least three minutes to earn NJFL points.



The NJFL Award System

The Point System

Credit points are the basis for all honors in NJFL. Every speech earns points. Credit points are a measure of your progress in NJFL.

NJFL Credit Points

One point for each speech activity.
Two points for each speech presentation.

Advanced Degrees

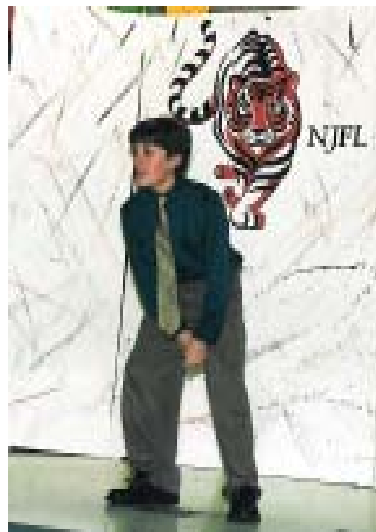
Your credit points lead to advanced degrees: Recognition, Accomplishment, Achievement and Outstanding Achievement. You will receive special degree seals to add to your NJFL membership certificate.

NJFL Degrees

10 Points Participation
25 Points Recognition
50 Points Accomplishment
75 Points Achievement
100 Points Outstanding Achievement
10% of NJFL Points may be transferred to your high school NFL record. (Maximum 10 NFL points)

The NJFL Pin

Your attractive NJFL pin is the highest award a school can give deserving speakers. The NJFL emblem commands the prestige of a national organization. Purchase of a pin is optional and the cost is low.



Rostrum, the magazine of secondary school speech, is published monthly during the school year. Features include teaching and learning articles, profiles of famous speakers, tournament results, NFL news, and a special section devoted to NJFL. All NJFL schools will receive 2 copies each month.

Print Materials

NJFL provides all materials necessary for a successful school program: Constitution, credit point sheets, applications, and charts.

Audio Visual Materials

Video and audio tapes of championship student performances are available to NJFL schools and students.

A library of 42 video tapes featuring the nation's finest speech coaches teaching about a variety of speech activities is available for free loan or low cost purchase to all NJFL member schools.

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