## Dear Parents,

In preparation for the upcoming speech contest, please be aware of the following schedule.

Friday, February 8 <sup>th</sup>	Topic selected and form below signed/returned
Friday, February 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Outline of speech and introductory paragraph due
March 11 <sup>th</sup> – March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Speech presented to class
Tuesday, March 19 <sup>th</sup>	School Contest 4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade

One student from each class will be selected to compete in the speech contest. First, second and third place winners of the school contest receive a ribbon and medallion, with the winner going on to represent Timberlin Creek at the county competition. In addition to receiving a plaque and medallion, the county contest first place winner will receive a scholarship to the St. Johns County 4-H Summer Camp!

## Some children ask, "Do I have to do it?" The answer is, "Yes. This is a required assignment for all students in the 4th and 5th grade, and it counts as a grade in Language Arts."

Students are encouraged to select a topic they are passionate about. Your guidance and encouragement will help make the speech-writing and delivery processes go smoothly. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Laurie Menefee, TCE's 4-H/Tropicana Speech Contest Coordinator, at menefel@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Sincerely,

Fourth & Fifth Grade Teachers **Timberlin Creek Elementary School** 

Please complete and return the bottom of this form by Friday, February 8<sup>th</sup>.

My child, \_\_\_\_\_\_, has chosen

\_\_\_\_\_as his/her speech

topic. I understand that this is a required assignment.

Parent Signature

Teacher\_\_\_\_\_