



About BC Talks Speech Showcase

The event is a speech showcase that will provide a platform to exhibit spoken expressions of our student body as it relates to topics from 2017-2018 College Read's book, *Spare Parts*, by Joshua Davis.

Objectives

- To provide students with a platform to showcase artistic spoken expressions
- To showcase the public speaking capabilities of our student body
- To offer an opportunity for proficient speakers to gain experience
- To educate students on the fundamentals of public speaking by observing proficient speakers
- To promote College Read's readings

Event Details

- **Date:** Friday, November 17, 2017
- **Time:** 1:00pm to 2:00pm
- **Central Campus Location:** 1008/105 (Auditorium)

Topics of Speech Performance

The topics of BC Talks Speech Showcase are based on the 2017-2018 College Read's book, *Spare Parts* by Joshua Davis. *Spare Parts* is a story of four Mexican high school students, in a competitive underwater robotics team led by two science teachers, who found confidence in the face of failure, academic achievement in a world of low expectations, and both acceptance and triumph amid widespread poverty, fear, immigrant-bashing, and violence.

Speech performance must focus at least one of the major topics in the book. Major topics in the book are the following:

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| • perseverance | assimilation | prejudice |
| • legal/illegal immigration | robotics | inequality |
| • teamwork | STEM | risk-taking |
| • innovation | poverty | mentorship |

Type of Speech

The following speech performance is welcomed:

- **Narrative Speech:** Tell a story related to a major topic
- **Informative Speech:** Describe or explain a major topic
- **Persuasive Speech:** Change or reinforce the ideas, beliefs, attitudes, or behaviors of audience about a major topic
- **Spoken Word:** Perform poetry, comedy, or monologue related to a major topic

Organizational Pattern of Speech

The speech may follow any organizational pattern:

- **Topical**
- **Chronological**
- **Spatial**
- **Problem & Solution**
- **Cause & Effect**
- **Refutation**
- **Monroe's Motivated Sequence**

Time Length

The speech should be 5 to 6 minutes.

Mode of Delivery:

The speech should be delivered extemporaneously. Speakers may use note cards.

Speaker's Attire:

Speaker should dress in business casual attire.

Eligibility:

To be eligible to participate in the BC Talks, you must meet the following criteria:

- Must be an enrolled Broward College student (full or part-time) for Fall 2017
- Must read the College Read's book, *Spare Parts*
- Free copies of the book may be obtain from speech faculty or designated contacts:
 - Central Campus: Maria Bernal – mbernal@broward.edu – Location: 9/200
 - North Campus: Ana Cowo – acowo@broward.edu – Location: 47/314
 - South Campus: Andrea Apa – aapa@broward.edu – Location: 72/129
 - Online Campus: Priscilla Suarez – psuarez2@broward.edu - Location: 31
- Must submit a speech video (visual/audio) to bctalks@broward.edu by Friday, November 10, 2017 by 12:00pm (noon).
- Must be committed to being physically present during the scheduled event on November 17, 2017, if selected as a speaker

Rules

1. The speech must fit the speech requirements as stated above.
 - All entries must reflect the original work of the speaker.
 - A speech created and presented for a previous class assignment may be submitted.
 - Contestants are **STRONGLY** encouraged to review their videos to make sure the speeches conform to public speaking guidelines.
2. A video file or link (visual and audio) of the speech should be submitted to bctalks@broward.edu by noon (12pm) on Friday, November 10, 2017.
 - The video submission may be the actual video file or link to video (using a hosting site).
 - No entries will be returned, so please keep a copy of your video file.
 - The 7 speakers will be notified by November 13, 2017.
3. The BC Talks Committee will select the speakers to present at BC Talks based on the speech video entries.
4. Decisions by the committee members are final.