



Subject: Oral Communication is an essential discipline taught by Oral Communication Professionals

Greetings from the Arkansas Communication and Theatre Arts Association.

Whereas: The Arkansas Communication and Theatre Arts Association recognizes that the mastery of oral communication skills is essential for an educated person; and,

Whereas: The mastery of oral communication skills was fundamental to the establishment of the American nation; and,

Whereas: The command of oral communication is essential to maintaining the American concept of liberty; and,

Whereas: The command of oral communication is essential fostering economic development for the State of Arkansas; and,

Whereas: The State of Arkansas has endorsed the values of oral communication in the state school curriculum; and,

Whereas: Arkansas oral communication professionals have maintained high standards as demonstrated by their students' success and their students' skill level; and,

Whereas: The study of communication is fundamental to supporting and understanding diverse ideas and cultures.

The Arkansas Communication and Theatre Arts Association resolves that the State of Arkansas and the Arkansas Department of Education support and affirm the continued teaching of oral communication in all Junior High Schools and Senior High Schools by oral communication professionals.

Voted unanimously by the ACTAA membership at the 73rd Fall ACTAA Conference.

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