

Kudos College of Youth Leadership 2024 Summer Weekend Training Camps

Kudos is entering its fifteenth year in the summer of 2024! Having won thousands of awards and broken national middle school records, including ranking among the top five outstanding debate schools nationwide for five consecutive years. We maintain our initial aspiration: to engage the best teachers, and continue to enhance students' logical thinking and communication skills! We hope parents seize the opportunity to enroll your children and enjoy a half-price discount on the second course!

Let your children be joyfully initiated into public speaking and debate experience; closely following global current affairs, broadening their horizons, becoming opinion leaders, and enabling them to "think and speak clearly" to change their lives at any time! Students who have already completed the foundational courses should not miss the opportunity to learn new events.

Drama & Storytelling Little Masters: 1st & 2nd Graders Training Camp

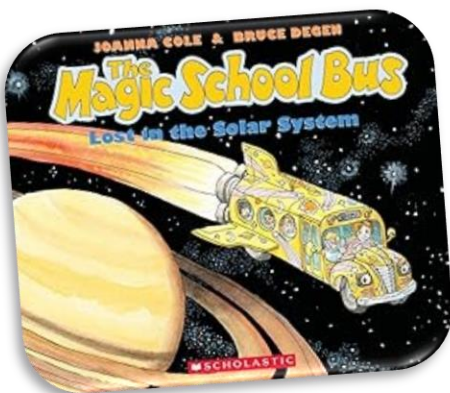


This summer, do you want to develop your child's drama potential, critical thinking, imagination, and logical reasoning skills? Kudos' latest exclusive course introduces young children to reasoning stories, where each case is a puzzle. Teachers will encourage children to express freely their views on the plot and characters, leading them to analyze the reasoning logic behind solving the case and choose segments for dramatic interpretation. This fosters children's creativity, rehearsal of lines, role-playing skills, and enhances their observational skills, wit, and confidence.



To encourage reading and thinking, Kudos will gift each student with a beautifully illustrated storybook as teaching material. Additionally, students will listen to a second book during class, enhancing their listening and concentration skills. Many children will develop a love for reading and thinking due to their interest in suspenseful reasoning.

Kids Speech Masters: 3rd-5th graders Impromptu Speech and Adventure Novel Interpretation Training Camp (Each student receives an adventure story book)



Parents often wonder, besides "overall thinking skills" and "clear communication skills," what other abilities do children need to cultivate for the future world of artificial intelligence? Principal Lin of Kudos believes it's "curiosity" and "broad vision"! Therefore, this summer, we've selected adventure novels that children have been enthusiastic about in the past two years as the main content of the primary school speech course!

Principal Lin personally chose the "Magic School Bus" series, which explores nature. The stories revolve around a magical school bus that can transform into various modes of transportation, leading students on marvelous scientific exploration journeys covering topics such as animals, plants, weather, ecosystems, and even adventures inside the human body. The camp not only teaches impromptu speeches but also encourages students to create their adventure stories, perform exciting scenes, and experience the achievement of close teamwork, which will make them more eloquent, confident, and lively in the future.

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Kids Debate Masters: Stanford Spontaneous Argumentation and Logic Training Camp

For each improvisational debate topic, teaching follows the "one-on-one" and "one-to-many" debate formats and rules designed by the Stanford University Debate Society (the most used format in California competitions). Teachers introduce arguments, conduct compact training in attack and defense, and familiarize students with debate rules.

Topics are closely related to daily life or current social discussions, such as whether museums should be open for free, strict control of TV viewing time for middle school and elementary school students, and whether human life is more important than animal life. Students learn to express their opinions logically, respond sensitively to questions, cultivate clear thinking and logical concepts from a young age, and train their eloquence and organizational skills. (Grades 3-6)



Junior Speechmakers: Extemporaneous Speech Training Camp (Grades 6 to 9)



Students are trained to address current affairs issues (international and domestic), rapidly read reference materials on the spot, form their opinions, decide their stance, and deliver analysis and persuasion on stage. For example, topics like "In the era where artificial intelligence replaces many jobs, should the government provide basic income to all citizens?" or "Should all student loans be completely forgiven?"

Students must quickly browse through prepared materials from both sides, decide their supporting arguments, and then deliver convincing speeches within five to seven minutes. Extemporaneous speeches, although topics unpredictable, are the most interesting of all speech events. Through summer courses, students can significantly overcome their fear of public speaking. Coupled with current affairs topics, they will cultivate the invaluable lifelong concept of "broad reading, deep thinking, diligent observation, and enjoyable practice."

Junior Debaters: Spontaneous Argumentation and "World Schools Debate" Training Camp (Grades 6 to 9)

In the six-session weekly program, the first hour warms up with an impromptu debate topic. After in-depth discussion led by the teacher, students engage in attack and defense training to familiarize themselves with debate rules. Topics may include "The benefits of the First Amendment to the Constitution outweigh the disadvantages of anonymous speech" or "The pros and cons of daylight-saving time." The next two hours focus on teaching the new event "World Schools Debate" according to actual competition rules. Students work in teams of four to discuss challenging public issues, such as maintaining clean space in outer space, international diplomacy, or banning nuclear energy use. "World Schools Debate" enhances students' sensitivity to global issues, emphasizes teamwork, and provides platforms for Asian and global competitions.



"Critical Thinking Intensive Camp" (Grades 6 to 12) only requires one weekend, two full days of online classes (ONLINE CAMP).

This camp focuses on developing logical reasoning and clear expression skills for students in grades 6 to 12. It trains students in critical thinking abilities, including syllogism, fallacies, deductive reasoning, and more. These academic skills are essential for improving language reasoning abilities and are necessary for those aspiring to careers in law, business, computer science, natural sciences, and applied sciences. Using simple examples from daily life, the camp helps students become familiar with logical thinking. Afterward, students' oral or written communication will become more systematic, clever, and efficient. It's a must for students learning debate.

Please inquire about the most comprehensive and engaging summer course arrangements. Seats are limited, so call today: (626)-286-6889, (626)-955-2066.