

## 2026 Asynchronous Speech Championship

### Impromptu Speaking

Please **include prep time in Impromptu videos** (this can make starting the video camera easier for students, and assessing time allocation possible for judging). All Impromptu judges will be reminded to allow an initial 15 seconds for competitors to read the quotations, before beginning time. Students will submit two videos.

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#### *Speech #1*

*(Prelim 1, Prelim 2, SemiFinal)*

*Domestic Voices of Resistance*

It's hard to be like, they will keep killing us, and we must remain peaceful.

**Kirstie Kimball**

Minneapolis Food Critic and Community Organizer

I am America. I am the part you won't recognize.

**Muhammed Ali**

American Boxer and Activist

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***Speech #2***

***(Prelim 3, OctoFinal, QuarterFinal, Final)***

***International Voices of Resistance***

Studying while starving chips away at your soul.

**Taqwa Ahmed Al-Wawi**  
Writer and Poet from Gaza

Know the rules well, so you can break them.

**Dalai Lama**  
Head of Tibetan Buddhism