

2026 Fine Arts: Poetry and Prose Symposium

Fine Arts: PPS at DVCS is an annual event where each student in grades 1-12 memorizes a selection of classic poetry or prose for recitation; the kindergarten class memorizes a class poem. The students memorize these selections over the course of several weeks. They are encouraged to work not only on memory, but also on skills such as eye contact with the audience, voice projection, diction, and expression. The goal is to have each student prepared to *present* their selection for an audience. From this experience, the students learn beautiful works of prose and poetry and grow in the experience and skill of speaking before a friendly audience. You are invited and encouraged to attend.

Parents, if you would like your student to observe a sibling's recitation, you can arrange, with the teacher, to pick up and drop off your student from their classroom. All students must be accompanied by an adult.

Students should wear their dress uniform on their scheduled recitation day.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Introduction: 8:50am

7th & 8th grade recitations: 9:00-11:55am

9th & 12th grade recitations: 12:55-2:55pm

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Introduction: 8:10am

10th & 11th grade recitations: 8:15-11:40am (10-15 min break)

Dessert provided at lunch for grades 7-12

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Snack kits provided in each K-6 classroom (students only)

Introduction: 8:10am

Kindergarten recitation: 8:15-8:20am

1st & 2nd grade recitations: 8:20-9:20am

3rd & 5th grade recitations: 9:25-10:45am

4th & 6th grade recitations: 1:00-2:55pm

Fine Arts Assembly ~ Friday, February 27 ~ 2:15pm

12-08-2025