Self-Advocacy Toolkit Speech Planning Worksheet



Use this worksheet to plan out your speaking notes before giving a speech.

- **1.** Start by writing down your main idea at the top.
- 2. Next, fill out each of the sections of the speech. This can be point form notes, or a detailed script, depending on your own personal style.
- 3. Practice your speech by reading it out loud or in front of a friend.

Main idea: One concise sentence that summarizes the overall point you want to make.		
Introduction	Hook: An interesting question or statement that grabs the audience's attention.	
	Summary of main idea: A few sentences to let the audience know what you will be speaking about and what you hope to achieve.	
Body Try to break up your main point into 2-4 arguments that support this point. Consider including 1-2 personal stories here	Argument 1: Your first point to support your main idea.	
	Argument 2: Your second point to support your main idea.	
	Argument 3: Your third point to support your main idea. (Optional)	
	Argument 4: Your fourth point to support your main idea. (Optional)	
Conclusion	Summary of main points: A few sentences to summarize what you have talked about.	
	Call-to-action: What you want the audience to do, now that they have heard your speech.	