

Hi. This is Eric Field. After judging and coaching IHSSA for six years, I am in the middle of a career change. I am finishing up my capstone research project before receiving my graduate certificate in Communication Education from Minnesota State University. After receiving my certificate, I plan to teach at the community college level while pursuing a Ph.D in School Psychology over the next six years. I'm hoping I can use my findings from this research project in the future as groundwork in doctoral research.

I am conducting an online survey to get a snapshot of public speaking instruction at the high school level in Iowa and Minnesota, as well as nearby states. All results are confidential and will be accessed only by me. You are not required to give your name in the survey. Schools will be identified not by name but by geographic area (For example, I may write about survey trends in Minnesota or southern Iowa). I may also ask about personal demographics (age, gender) and school demographics (size, location, and type of school) to describe the overall characteristics of the sample of respondents. In short, the risks with completing the survey are minimal to none.

Please take five minutes to fill out the survey between now and Friday, April 20. I would really appreciate your help in this survey research.

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