



Best Buddies Ambassadors

Speech Coach Application

Being a speech coach for an Ambassador Training is a rewarding opportunity to support advocates and provide leadership opportunities to people with disabilities. The Best Buddies Ambassador's recognizes the commitment you are making by participating as a speech coach and we are grateful for the time and energy you share to make this training a huge success. Below is information to keep in mind as a speech coach in an Ambassador Training.

What is a speech coach?

Speech coaches have the important task of supporting ambassadors on their journey of discovery and self-advocacy. As a speech coach, you serve in the role as sounding board, friend, confidant, and supporter. Each speech coach is paired with one or two ambassador for the duration of the training and will help ambassadors through the education session and in developing their own speech.

As with any form of writing, having someone to brainstorm with and a second set of eyes to help with editing leads to a higher quality speech and enhanced skills in the art of public speaking. Speech coaches serve in this capacity throughout the training; they will help with developing topics, framing outlines, writing speeches, practicing the presentation, and preparing for the performance.

What are the responsibilities of a speech coach?

Speech coaches can assist with transcribing notes, brainstorming, focusing, editing, content organization, and a variety of other ways depending on the ambassador's needs. Speech coaches should not write or create content for the speeches; on the contrary, it is important that speeches serve as the voice of the ambassador with little influence from the speech coach. Speech coaches should be a sounding board and making sure the ambassador's voice is heard. Most importantly, have fun. This is suppose to be a wonderful experience for both of you.

Thank you for being a part of Best Buddies!

Application Information

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Best Buddies Involvement

Are you involved in Best Buddies? If so, how?

Have you previously participated in an ambassador training? If so, how many?

Best Buddies Program Opportunities

Are you interested in being involved in other Best Buddies programs? (circle all that apply)

High Schools Colleges Citizens e-buddies Faculty Advisor Board Member



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Best Buddies Event Opportunities

Are you interested in participating in other Best Buddies events? *(circle all that apply)*

Friendship Ball Friendship Walk Champion of the Year Gala

Local Leadership Training Days Additional Ambassador Trainings

Short Answer: Please share a fun fact about yourself! Or any other information you think we should know.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Training Information: (fill out by the facilitator only)

Name of Training: _____ **Date:** _____ **Location:** _____