Introductory Speech (Worth 100 points)

PURPOSE: To provide the audience with information about yourself, to practice speaking in front of an audience, to measure your ability to observe time limits, to practice speaking extemporaneously, and to ensure you can successfully submit your speech.

DIRECTIONS: Read through the five speech choices, and choose any one of the topic options or use them as a jumping off point to come up with your own topic with a similar theme to tell the audience more about you (anything that differs from the choices on this list must be pre-approved by me before the speech). Remember to keep it appropriate for a college course (if you are ever unsure, see me).

REQUIREMENTS:
TIME: The speech should be between two to three (2-3) minutes long. Remember to rehearse and time your speech to ensure your speech is within the time limit.

OUTLINE: An outline is required for this speech (you will submit an outline for the other three required speeches).

VISUAL AID: A visual aid is not required for this speech (you will develop a visual aid for at least two other required speeches).

NOTE CARDS: Make sure that you understand what extemporaneous means as this is the delivery mode for all of your speeches this semester. You may use note cards if you need; however, DO NOT WRITE OUT YOUR SPEECH word for word. Use key words and phrases on your note cards to help jog your memory of what comes next. Also, DO NOT READ OR MEMORIZE YOUR SPEECH.

SPEECH CHOICES (Choose One):
1. A funny or memorable childhood story
2. What brought you to Lake-Sumter State College and/or the area
3. Your hobby
4. A funny or memorable story about a current/past job
5. What this academic year brings for you/ what you are most looking forward to