

**vida's** young women speak  
**voices**



a public speaking and  
leadership opportunity  
for year 10 girls.

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*Vida's Voices* is the first girl-only, state wide public speaking competition, aimed at year 10 girls. This unique project will strengthen leadership qualities in young women as it will involve peer training, judging and the leading of all key competition days by a Leadership Team of Year 10 girls.

Young women will be able to hear and work with experienced women in both rural and city venues. Prominent women will address both training sessions and the Grand Final.

Open to year 10 girls across the state, we are inviting students to be a part of an experience which will prepare them for VCE and beyond, while making a positive impact on all aspects of their lives- establishing confidence through participation, leadership and mentoring.

This initiative honours Vida Goldstein, reflecting her values, determination and leadership.

## why vida? vi•da [vi' dā]

**Vida Goldstein** (1869-1949), Aus. first wave feminist, writer and advocate. Vida Goldstein was renowned for having produced the immense momentum which finally won Victorian women the right to vote in 1908. A controversial figure in her time, Vida was a tireless campaigner on behalf of women and children, believing firmly in the power of an educated and articulate woman.



### Training:

Students will attend training days, where they will be led by a group of year 10 girls, from Preston Girl's Secondary College.

These team leaders are being trained to teach, judge and organise all aspects of the competition.

### Competing:

Each student will be asked to prepare a five minute speech, and speak impromptu on a secret topic, for four minutes.

Competitions will be held in metropolitan Melbourne and regional Victoria.

The Grand Final will be held at BMW Edge, on Sunday 31st of October 2010.

**For more information or to get involved- please contact:**

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