

Fall 2008 Theatre Club Syllabus

Objective

This class will introduce students to the basic elements and skills of theatre and allow them to practice them in front of their peers and the public.

Overview

Students will learn and practice the following theatric skills:

Character Work

- ✗ Character creation and development
- ✗ Maintaining of a character throughout a performance
- ✗ Facial, vocal and body expression for character communication

Speaking Skills

- ✗ Public speaking confidence
- ✗ Proper vocal pitching and enunciation
- ✗ Impromptu
- ✗ Eye Contact

Types of Theatre

- ✗ Story Telling
- ✗ Theatrical Reading
- ✗ Impromptu
- ✗ Humorous
- ✗ Dramatic

The above mentioned skills will be taught and practiced during class times and showcased on December 6th at the Barnes and Noble Performance (see next page for details).

Barnes and Noble Performance

This club is geared at preparing students for the final production which will be December 13th at Barnes and Noble of Maple Grove. Students will work in class on all aspects of their production including acting, costuming and props. Below are the requirements for the performance:

- ✗ Groups of 2-5
- ✗ 8-10 minute presentation
- ✗ Simple costumes and props will be used

✗ **Attendance at the final performance**

Please note that all November and December rehearsals are MANDATORY! Please show respect to the other actors by being at practices because even one person missing can make practicing for your performance difficult or impossible!

Extra Rehearsals

At current, all rehearsals are during club times. It is *recommended*, not required, that each group practice twice a week. You should try to find a time to meet outside of class once a week. If you would like to practice with either Mr. Wipf or Miss Myers please contact them regarding availability.

Contacting Us

Parents, please encourage your students to talk to Mr. Wipf or Ms. Myers about any problems or concerns they have with class. If necessary feel free to send an email or call (email is preferred).

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Schedule

- + September 18th --- Syllabus handout, Start looking for a book
- + September 25th --- Signed Syllabus Due, Book searching and Approving
- + October 2nd --- Book Selections due (bring a copy)
- + October 9th --- Rehearsal
- + October 23rd --- Memorization Due
- + October 30th --- Props and Costumes Due
- + November 6th --- MANDATORY
- + November 20th --- Rehearsal
- + December 4th --- Dress Rehearsal (MANDATORY)
- + December 11th --- Dress Rehearsal (MANDATORY)
- + Saturday, December 13th --- Barnes and Noble (MANDATORY)
- + December 18th --- Drama Club
- + January 8th --- Drama Club
- + January 15th --- Drama Club
- + January 22nd --- Last drama club of the semester

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*I have read and understand the above syllabus. By signing this I indicate that I have noted and will be at the **MANDATORY** NOVEMBER and DECEMBER in-class rehearsals and DECEMBER 13th Performance.*

Student's Name

Student's Signature

Parent Signature