

Welcome to Beginning Theatre Arts

Spring 2023

**YOU AND YOUR PARENT/GUARDIAN NEED TO SIGN AND RETURN THE
ATTACHED FORM BY FRIDAY 1/27
THANK YOU!**

I am so excited to have you in my Beginning Theatre Arts class! I look forward to helping you reach your goals in this class! Theatre is an amazing way to get more comfortable with public speaking, analyzing literature, and expressing ourselves. Before we begin, here are some things I want you to know.

Please make sure to read the Theatre Arts Class Syllabus, and to sign the attached form. **All of my Theatre Arts students are required to be in class on the day of scheduled dress rehearsals or performances.** Students will know approximately one week in advance which days these are. If they already have appointments, etc. scheduled during the performance week, it is up to the student to inform me, and work with me to schedule the performance on a day that they will be in class. **If the student misses class on a performance day,** they will lose a grade from their performance. If there is an emergency and the student absolutely cannot attend class on the scheduled performance day, you or your student must call or email me before their class starts to be excused, and it must be excused by the attendance office.

One other requirement in my class is **that each student must attend the spring musical** and complete a critique. This year we will be doing MAMMA MIA! and all students are encouraged to audition for the production (students that are cast will have a separate but equivalent analysis assignment). I encourage them to attend our school's productions to support our arts program, and I offer extra credit to students who participate in or attend plays outside of school. Our production of MAMMA MIA! will be **March 30th- April 2nd.** *If finances are an issue, please have the student see me, and we will make arrangements.*

There will be times that your student will be asked to provide scenes, photocopies, props, costumes, etc. for their performance. I do not expect large amounts of money to be spent on any of this! Most props or costumes that are needed can usually be found in grandparents', parents', friend's closets, or at a thrift store. We also have numerous supplies here, and I will be happy to check out to them anything that we have and are not currently using in our production.

You are welcome to attend your student's performances! Simply ask them to let me know that you will be coming, and check in at the office as a visitor.

I look forward to a great year!

Sincerely,
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Beginning Theatre Arts Syllabus

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Supplies

1 notebook and writing utensil. All other text and materials will be provided in class.

Fee

There is a **\$10.00 fee** that students are required to pay for taking the Theatre Arts class. This fee is set by Cabarrus County Schools.

Course Description

- Theatre Etiquette
- Pantomime/Parts of the Stage
- Improvisation/Vocal Technique
- Introduction to Technical Theatre
- Classical Theatre History
- Modern Theatre History
- Playscript Analysis
- Scene Work and Character Development

Goals

1. Students will be able to work together as a cohesive ensemble.
2. Students will be able to read and analyze literature in a live theatre setting.
3. Students will be able to recall various works of theatre and understand the elements of putting on a play.

Class Rules and Expectations

1. I will respect myself and others at all times.
2. I will be on time and prepared with class materials.
3. I will not have my cellphone in class.
4. I will always adhere to the school dress code.
5. I will not bring any food or drink in class (except a water bottle!).

Grading

30% Daily Reflection

30% Classwork/Journal

20% Performances

20% Quizzes/Tests/Projects

100% Final Grade

I offer extra credit for participating in or attending live theatre outside of class. Please see me for more details.

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**RETURN THIS FORM SIGNED BY STUDENT AND PARENT/GUARDIAN BY
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STUDENT NAME:

(please print) _____

I have read and understand the attached syllabus, including grading and class rules.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

I have read and understand the attached syllabus, including grading and class rules. I have read the attached welcome letter regarding class requirements and procedures.

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent name and phone number:
(please print) _____