

**Arts and Humanities – Theatre
Period 8**

**Ms. Lilly
Black Box Theatre**

Course Scope:

This one semester course is designed to familiarize students with the theatre and its cultural value. Emphasis is on developing Arts awareness and self-expression, increasing general knowledge of the theatre, and encouraging social adjustment and collaboration. This course will fulfill either the arts/humanities credit or one of the elective credits required for graduation.

Course Goals:

1. To create performance based on personal experience and heritage.
2. To interpret dramatic texts through analysis and synthesis.
3. To discuss cultural and historical information in support of artistic choices.
4. To explore and make connections between art forms such as dance, music, visual arts, traditional theatre and new art forms.
5. To evaluate informal and formal theatre productions at LVA.
6. To distinguish the components of theatrical production including original script writing.

Evaluation Criteria:

1. Performance work assigned in class will comprise approximately 50% of the student's quarter grade. Students are also required to see two Main Stage/ Studio productions at LVA for 100 points each.
2. In-class written assignments, tests, and quizzes comprise 25% of the student's quarter grade.
3. Class participation (i.e. attendance, punctuality, conduct, and effort) comprises 25% of the student's grade (10 points daily). Regular attendance, being on time, doing all assigned work, and being a positive member of the class will assure you of receiving an "O" in citizenship. Tardies, poor attendance, not doing assigned work, and not being a positive member of the class will result in a lowering of the citizenship grade up to and including a "U".
4. The student's exam will comprise 20% of the semester grade, with each quarter equaling 40%.

Attendance:

The Clark County School District policy will be followed at all times. You are expected to be in class. If you have more than 10 absences in this class, you will fail this course. Absences cost you your points for the day. There is no extra credit work for this class.

If you have an excused absence because of illness you may obtain appropriate makeup work within three days directly following the absence.

Office Hours:

You may schedule an appointment to meet with me in my office from 10:00-10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays with 24 hour notice. Please sign up in advance on my office door,

Rules of Conduct:

In order to ensure a positive classroom environment and to make sure that everyone has a chance to learn, the following rules have been implemented:

1. No food (including chewing gum) or drink (bottled water is acceptable) will be allowed in the Black Box Theatre. Chewing gum while performing or presenting is an automatic 0 on the assignment.
2. Bathrooms will be used on a request only basis. Having the use of the bathrooms in the Black Box is a privilege, and any evidence of smoking, vandalism, food, hiding out or the like will be cause for the bathroom privileges to be revoked for the entire class. No groups to the bathroom!
3. No personal grooming during class. This becomes almost as distracting as a cell phone going off in class. All cell phones must be turned off, or if they ring during class they will be confiscated and sent to the Dean.
4. Tardies will not be tolerated. 4 tardies will equal a "U" in citizenship. 3 tardies will equal an "N" during a quarter. 1 tardy will equal an "S".

Grading Scale: 90-100 = A, 80-89=B, 70-79 =C, 60-69=D, 50-59=F.

Supplies: Note book, notebook paper, blue or black pen, pencils, scripts.

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Please sign below to indicate that you have read the requirements for this class. You have three days to return this to the instructor. Failure to turn this in when due will cause you to receive a zero for the assignment. (100 points)

I have read and understand the rules and requirements of this Theatre class.

Student name (print)

Student signature

Parent or Guardian signature

Date