

# Syllabus for Theatre Production

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**Room** - 811 (*Black Box Theater*)

**Theatre Website** - www.olathesouththeatre.org

**Course Description** – This course gives students the opportunity to develop exciting theatrical projects. Students will explore the production process from page to stage. Students will gain experience in playwriting, performance, and theatrical production. The use of computer technology in theatre production will also be explored. **Guided Enrollment Note: Some out of class time may be required including attendance at out of school performances or productions.**

**Textbooks** - We will also use a variety of scripts and resource books. Students may check books out, but most of our textbooks will be used in the classroom.

**Supplies** - Students need to bring their laptop and charger, a pen and a pencil, notebook paper, and a folder to keep assignments.

## Classroom Expectations

- **Be Prompt** – All students need to be inside the classroom when the bell rings.
- **Be Prepared** – Students need to bring all assignments and materials to class every day.
- **Be Respectful** - Students should show respect of all people and our facilities.
- **Follow School Rules** – School rules can be found in the Olathe South student planner.

**Grading** - Grades will be comprised of preparation for performances, quizzes, written reviews, research papers, and class participation. The grading scale will be based on the percentage of points earned.

A=100-90%

B=89-80%

C=79-70%

D=69-60%

F=below 60%

**Daily Learning Activities** - ATTENDANCE IS ESSENTIAL to do well in this class. “Students who attend school regularly have been shown to achieve at higher levels than students who do not have regular attendance.” – National Center for Educational Statistics

- Students earn up to 5 points every day (*10 points on block days*) for learning activities in the classroom. These can only be earned by attending in person classes. Points can be earned outside of class in the following ways:
  - Students can earn 25 points for seeing live theatrical performances (*plays or musicals*). To earn these points, students need to bring a program from the live theatrical performance, or a picture of themselves in the theatre in front of the set and be willing to talk about the show in class. Parents/Guardians can also send an email to verify their student’s attendance at the entire show.
  - Students can earn 25 points for reading a play from one of the classroom textbooks and writing a one-page essay on how they would produce this production including ideas about casting, set/light/sound design, and overall concept for the show. Parents must send an email to verify that their student read the entire play.

**Out of Class Assignment** - Students are required to attend two main stage theatre productions at Olathe South per semester. The shows and dates are listed on the Olathe South Theatre website. Each play/musical is worth 25 points. To earn these points, students need to sign in after the show or have a parent/guardian email to confirm their attendance at the entire performance.

*“I understand the expectations for Theatre Production.”*

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Student’s Full name (printed)

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Parent’s Full name (printed)

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Student’s Signature

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Parent’s Signature

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