

TECH THEATRE

Teacher Info!

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9:15 am - 10:20 am

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PHILOSOPHY:

Technical Theatre is a hands-on introduction to the understanding, designing, crafting and execution of theatrical productions. Our objective is to learn the basics of theatre terminology and to obtain the hands-on skills to properly execute the basic theatre production. You will come from this course a better problem solver, carpenter, electrician and leader.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Tech Theatre I will introduce the first year technician to the areas of stagecraft and theatrical production. *You will build, paint, climb ladders, lift things, sew material and handle power tools in this class.* The theatre elements to which you will be introduced will include, but are not limited to:

Stage elements	Stage properties	Crews/Assignments
Theatre appreciation	Costumes	Makeup
Lights/Sound	Set Design	Scene Painting
Scenic Building	Tools/Equipment	Publicity and Design

SUPPLIES: Click [here](#) for more details and recommendations
One of each of the following will be required for each student

- Lead Pencil(s) (not mechanical)
- A big eraser
- A sketchbook (preferably 8.5" x 11" or larger)
- A paintbrush (2" or larger)

Plus one option from this category

- T-25 screwdriver bit
- 3/32" drill bit
- Paintbrush set (containing smaller sized brushes for detail work)
- Crescent wrench
- A black or white paint pen

Attendance:

It is VERY IMPORTANT that you are present every day. Most of your grades in Theatre are participation grades and if you are not present, you cannot receive a grade. Because of COVID, we understand that you may be out and those absences will be excused, but please be here as much as possible.

SAFETY AND ATTITUDE:

This is one of the most important areas in Theatre. Because this is a stagecraft and design class, it is very important that you are supportive of each other and maintain a positive attitude about work together in the shop. Safety is our number one concern. We all want to work in a safe environment therefore, there will be **NO HORSEPLAY!!!!** You will work in groups for most assignments, so getting along with everyone is important! Safety and Attitude will play a vital role in how successful you will be and how much you will learn.

Grading:

No skill can be mastered without practice. Therefore, enthusiastic participation on the part of each student will be expected. Students will be graded on class work, homework, quizzes, tests, projects, and participation.

Formative Assessments- 50%

Summative Assessments- 50%

- ☐ **Work not turned in will result in a "0"**

Schoology:

Instruction and to be graded assignments (including participation) will be posted on Schoology when they are assigned. If you have to be quarantined, all of your missing work will be posted via Schoology.

Excused Absences AND Missing Work:

Regular attendance is very important. However, if you must be absent you are responsible for making up what you have missed. An excused absence allows for each day you have missed. It is the responsibility of the student who is absent to request the opportunity to make up class work (home work, class work, quiz, test, and project) missed. Failure to make up work within the allotted time will result in a grade of zero.

MISSING WORK IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY! CHECK THE GRADEBOOK REGULARLY!

Late Work:

Late assignments will be penalized by 5 points for each day that it is late. Assignments turned in more than 5 days after the due date can earn a max score of a 70. Students who submit a digital assignment late due to an absence, are asked to make a private comment on the assignment noting the date(s) of their absence in order to avoid late penalties.

Theatre Attendance:

All theatre students at DHS will be required to attend ONE production (based on the course) produced by the DHS Theatre Dept. Attendance at these productions provides students an affordable way to view live theatre while also teaching theatre appreciation, theatre etiquette and constructive criticism. The student must stay for the ENTIRE performance. **AFTER** each performance, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. Hataway and Mrs. Coleman (Brown) will be waiting for you to sign either your program or ticket stub for attendance verification. As well attending each play, students will be required to write a critique of the performance. Specific guidelines will be provided closer to the performance date. The signed program or ticket stub **MUST** be attached to your critique paper to receive credit for attending the show. These critiques will count as a TEST grade for each student. The required show is the All-District Musical, *Matilda the Musical*.

January 27-29 & February 3-5

Matilda the Musical

Tickets for students for the musical will be \$8.00. If purchasing tickets are an issue, please talk to Mrs. Coleman.

Parent Receipt of Syllabus

* Please sign, and return this page to Mrs. Coleman by AUGUST 27th.*

Syllabus Receipt

Student name: _____ Class period _____

Parent e-mail: _____

Parent contact number: _____

Would you like to receive email contact from the Booster Club when volunteers are needed? _____

Please list any concerns you may have for your child with this course: _____

I have received the **Technical Theatre I** syllabus and will contact Mrs. Coleman if I have a question concerning the course.

Parent Signature

Date

Parent e-mail: _____

Supply List Suggestions

We will start using our supplies in class beginning the 2nd week of school. Listed below are links to where these supplies can be purchased.

Sketchbook:

[Amazon- \\$5.97](#)

[Hobby Lobby- \\$7.50](#)

[Office Depot- \\$10.49](#)

[Five Below- \\$5.00](#)

Paintbrush:

[Lowe's - \\$1.68](#)

[Walmart- \\$1.89](#)

The following items can usually be found at any home improvement store such as Lowe's or Home Depot, or in the tool aisle at Walmart

T-25 Screwdriver Bit



3/32" Drill Bit



Adjustable crescent wrench

