

# Theater Class - Course Syllabus

## Grade 6

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### Course Description

Grade 6 Theater is a course designed to introduce students to drama, the theatre, and acting. Topics to be explored include but are not limited to: theatre terminology, theatre etiquette, pantomime, storytelling, tableaux work, tech and design theatre, character creation, acting, ensemble, and critique and appraisal.

### Course Objectives

- Discover and use different ways of communicating meaning and perspective both to their peers and to an audience.
- Reflect and analyze experiences to synthesize learning.
- Describe the dramatic structure of a story.
- Use domain-specific vocabulary to identify details about a theatrical work.
- Describe, define, and execute different elements of tech and design theatre.
- Perform and develop effective physical and vocal character traits.
- Identify influential theatrical works from different periods and how they affected theatre.

### Daily Routine

<i>Beginning of Class:</i>	<i>End of Class:</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Enter classroom calmly</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Place all belongings neatly in bookcase or on counters.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Go to your assigned circle spot or seating spot.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Read DO NOW instructions.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Complete DO NOW.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Complete journal or reflection questions.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Full class clap.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> When dismissed, gather all belongings.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Exit classroom through the main door calmly.</li></ul>

## Required Materials

- Pencil
- Folder with your name on it.
- Computer
- Clothes you are comfortable moving in
- Jacket

Why a jacket? Oftentimes we go outside for class! Always bring something warm to wear just in case we end up outdoors.

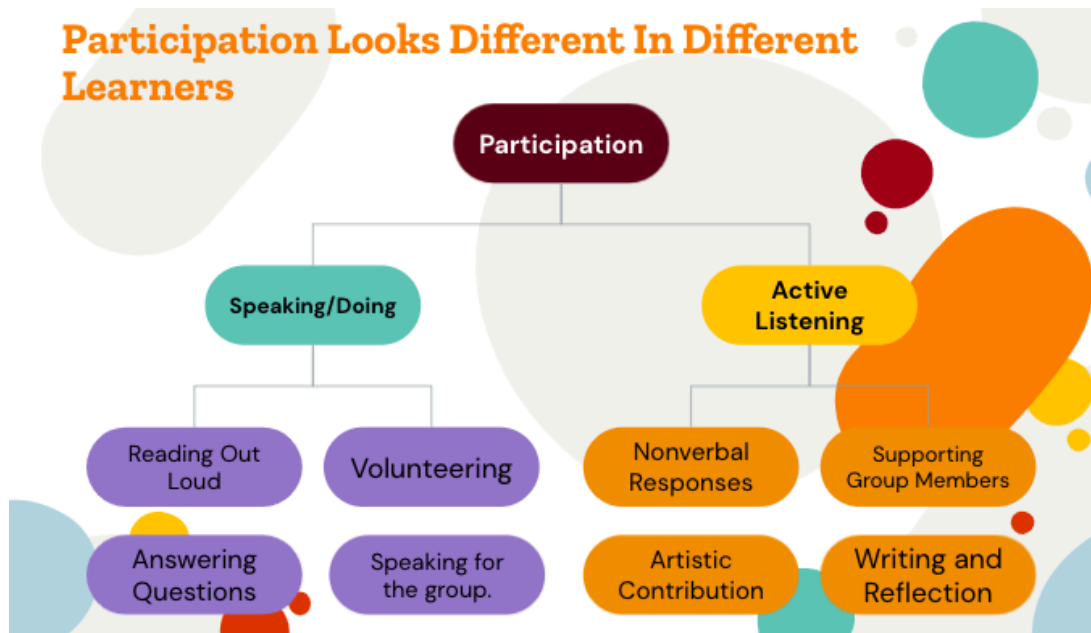
## Grading Policy & Participation

In theater class, we will try new things and explore new concepts every day. Every day, you may gain up to 4 participation points. Now, how do you earn those 4 points? Follow [this rubric](#), or, view the list below to double check some typical behaviors you should be exhibiting.

<b>4</b>	Follow class norms and audience etiquette Complete all assigned work Be kind to others Put forward your best effort Participate Treat class materials with respect
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<b>How Do I Lose Points?</b>	Breaking our class norms Not participating in class activities Choosing not to do your classwork Disrespecting class materials Disrupting other classes Breaking outside rules Disrupting class Leaving the room without permission Using cell phone without permission Not putting in effort
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## Participation Looks Different In Different Learners



So long as you put forth your best effort and follow our community guidelines, you will gain your full 4 points. When projects and other assignments are assigned, you will receive a rubric or assignment description that details how many points it is worth.

This is the breakdown of each grading category and value:

Participation and Classwork- 50%

Projects and Performances- 35%

Reflections- 15%

## Late Work Policy

Unless otherwise planned with Ms. Llewellyn, all late assignments will lose points according to the following:

<b>1 Day</b>	5%
<b>2 Days</b>	10%
<b>3 Days</b>	20%
<b>4 Days</b>	30%
<b>5 Days or more</b>	40%

## **Name Policy**

Any assignment turned in without a name on it will automatically lose 2 points.

## **Technology Policy**

Phones are not allowed unless given explicit permission. If a phone is seen in class without permission, per school policy, students will be given 1 warning. The second time a student is seen with their phone, it will be confiscated and given to the main office. Computers and other technology should be placed on the counters and not used until otherwise instructed. Please see Ms. Llewellyn if you have any questions.

## **Cheating and Plagiarism**

Any form of cheating or plagiarism is strictly prohibited and will result in the student receiving an automatic 0 on the assignment. Please see the student handbook for more information on what is considered as cheating and/or plagiarism.

## **AFTER SCHOOL**

After school Drama Club is an optional, additional way to be involved with theater at school. Our drama club does 1 musical, 1 play, and 1 festival play a year. For more information, join the drama club Google Classroom:

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If you need to see Ms. Llewellyn after school for extra help, please contact her beforehand. She is after school almost every single day for Drama Club, either in the auditorium, E119, or a project room.

## **FLEX Block**

...Why might you want to use FLEX block for Theater Class?

- Clarification on a concept
- Extra time to rehearse with a group on a scene or project.
- Extra time to work on anything!

If you want to come for Flex Block, you must obtain a Flex Pass from Ms. Llewellyn by 8:15am the day of Flex. No passes will be given after that time.

## **Homework**

There is only one homework assignment for the Trimester in Theater Class. This is the “Theater Job Fair” project. This will be assigned during the third week of school and you will have a little over a month to complete the project at home. **Due Date:**

Besides that project, the only other homework students will have is to complete in class assignments they do not finish.

## **Contacting Ms. Llewellyn**

If you need to contact Ms. Llewellyn, your first step is to email her at: [cllewellyn@melroseschools.com](mailto:cllewellyn@melroseschools.com). You may also see her during FLEX Block or set up an appointment for before or after school.

**I am excited for a fun trimester with all of you!**