**Drama II Syllabus**

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**Course Description**

Students will learn more advanced acting techniques and concepts and apply them to monologues, scenes and one acts, and improvisation. Students will also learn more of the history of theater and some of the important works.

**Classroom Rules**

All are accepted, all are respected.

Students are expected to be polite and helpful towards each other – we are a team! Students are expected to be active and engaged throughout the class.

Failure to follow the rules may result in one or more of the following consequences: phone call home, detention, extra work before or after school, office referral, deduction of class participation grade, or any other measures which may be appropriate to correct the behavior.

**Grading**

Projects 50% (Includes scenes, memorization, homework, tests and quizzes)

Class Participation 30% (includes having required material such as scripts every day)

Final 20%

**Performing**

Acting is a performance-based class. Students will be performing in front of the class almost every day. Additionally, the class may perform for other students or other classes. All students will be expected to participate.

**Graded Performances**

Graded performances of monologues and scenes are like tests: they are to be performed on the given date, and students are not allowed to take a late grade because they are not prepared. If a student does no perform on the given date, s/he will receive a zero for the assignment. In most cases, memorization will account for half of the grade for monologues and scenes.

**Performance Review**

Students will be expected to attend at least one theatrical performance per semester and write a review of it. The performance may be here at McIntosh or another school, or at a community or professional theater.

**Clothing**

Acting is an active class! Movement is a big part of acting, so students should wear appropriate clothing. Please, no heels or tight clothes. Students may want to have a change of clothes in their locker.

**Academic Dishonesty**

Any attempt to obtain credit for work done by another is unacceptable, including cheating on tests, copying work of others, copying ideas or copying word-for-word from books, magazines, encyclopedias, technology media (plagiarism), failing to cite proper documentation or authorship, using someone else’s term paper, or other similar activities.

Cheating includes the following: possessing and/or using unauthorized material during quizzes, tests, and exams, providing or accepting specific information about a class assignment, project, homework, quiz, test, or exam (example: “The essay question is …” or “Study all the definitions on page 3.”), sharing work product on any independent assignment (The student is responsible for understanding when assignments are to be completed independently or as a group.)

Academic dishonesty will be a discipline referral to the office and consequences will be assigned. Please note: College and scholarship applications frequently request disclosure regarding academic dishonesty.

**Acting II**

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I have read and understood the syllabus and agree to follow all of the rules and expectations.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 (student)

Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understood the syllabus and agree to assist my child in fulfilling all of the expectations for this course.

Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 (parent)