**Drama Performing Arts Syllabus**

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**Rehearsals:**

This is a performance based class. There will be rehearsals and performances outside of the school day that you are required to attend. You will be given advance notice for both and I will do my best to make the rehearsal schedule as predictable/consistent as possible. You cannot miss more than two required rehearsals. Therefore, you must do your best to ensure that you communicate all possible schedule conflicts and do your best to not schedule any appointments during rehearsal time.

**Required Performances:**

* New Mexico State Drama Competition- 10/20-10/22 in Las Cruces, NM. If you are not able to attend, this needs to be communicated to me as soon as possible. Details will be sent home at a later date.
* International Day- November. If you are unable to perform at International Day, your parents must email me by **10/1/16** with a reason for your planned absence. Any student who does not attend for any reason will complete a research project in lieu of the performance. If neither are completed, the student will receive a zero as their assessment grade.
* Holiday musical- December. If you are unable to perform for the holiday musical, your parents must email me by **11/15/16** with a reason for your planned absence. Any student who does not attend for any reason will complete a research project in lieu of the performance. If neither are completed, the student will receive a zero as their assessment grade.
* Spring Musical- May. If you are unable to perform for the holiday musical, your parents must email me by **2/1/17** with a reason for your planned absence. Any student who does not attend for any reason will complete a research project in lieu of the performance. If neither are completed, the student will receive a zero as their assessment grade.

**Behavior and Participation:**

* Behavior- students will be expected to be respectful, safe, and productive throughout the entirety of class and performances. Behavior issues may lead to you being removed from performances.
* Participation is key in succeeding in the performing arts. I do not expect perfection in performances, however, I do expect that students put forth their best effort and strive to improve their talents.

**Academic Expectations:**

As stated above, participation is key to being successful in my class. In addition to participation, will be expected to complete outside work, memorization, studying, and/or research. You and your parents (via email) will be given adequate notice about upcoming assignments. All assignments are expected to be completed by the assigned due date and will be collected at the beginning of class. PowerSchool will be used for grading and I highly suggest parents check PowerSchool often to be aware of their student’s performance.

**Grading:**

Student grades will be based upon formative and summative assessments using the IB Arts Rubric.

**Supplies:**

Students will be responsible for their scripts and must return them in quality condition.

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I have read and understand the 2015-2016 Seventh Grade Performing Arts Syllabus. I also understand that returning it signed counts as the first formative assessment grade for the fall semester and is due by 8/24/16.

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Printed Student Name Student Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature Date