Musical Theatre Syllabus

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Welcome to Musical Theatre!

Musical Theatre is a class that will focus on, but is not limited to, acting, vocal performance, dance, non-dance movement, and staging, which transfer readily to performances in musicals and other venues. We will explore the development and history of musical theatre and the unique staging and technical demands of a musical in contrast to non-musical plays. Public performances may serve as a culmination of specific instructional goals. Students will be required to attend and/or participate in rehearsals.

Required Materials

- 1. Notebook, phone or laptop for note taking and journaling
- 2. Folder to keep handouts, music, and assignments if not digital
- 3. Pencil to notate music and scenes
- 4. Highlighter to highlight handouts, music, and scenes if not digital
- 5. Comfy clothes to move in.

Classroom Expectations

- 1. Be on time.
- 2. Be ready to work at all times.
- 3. Be kind to EVERYONE.
- 4. Be attentive when others are speaking and performing.
- 5. Follow directions quickly and quietly.
- 6. Cell phones are to be away in your backpack unless otherwise stated. If it is out and shouldn't be, that will result in a loss of daily rehearsal assessment points.

Grading

A = 90-100 B = 80-89 C = 70-79 D = 60-69 F = 0-59

- -Grades will consist of daily rehearsal assessments, journal entries, performances, projects, quizzes, and tests.
- -The daily rehearsal assessment grade is 5 points and is based on completion of tasks, and how you are adding to the success of the class.
- -If you are tardy, you will lose 2 points from your daily rehearsal assessment grade. Daily rehearsal assessment grades are not negatively affected when you are absent.
- -All projects will have a set number of points and be graded on a provided rubric.
- -Classwork and projects will lose 5 points for each day they are late if there is no valid excuse.
- -This class has mandatory performance elements. Those are: Broadway to Go, All Together Now! Fall musical, and Broadway to Go 2.0 that are a significant part of your grade. This consists of dress rehearsals, and bringing in an item for your classes auction basket for Broadway to Go, as well as successful completion of the performances.

Class Procedures

- 1. Put all backpacks in their designated place.
- 2. Get out journal, phone or laptop, folder, music, and writing utensils.
- 3. Go to your assigned seat.
- 4. If there is one, complete the journal prompt within the first 5 minutes of class.
- 5. When it is time, place materials back where they belong and get ready for class.

Absent from Class Procedures

- 1. If you are absent from class it is your responsibility to find out what you missed and how you can make it up. You will have the same amount of days you were absent to make up missing work.
- 2. Ask a classmate first then ask me if you need more guidance.
- 3. If you are absent for a group project, you can pick from the alternative assignment or bonus point list.
- 4. Class performances will still have to take place on the due date. If it is impossible to be ready for the performance day we can arrange an alternative assignment.

Bonus Point Opportunities

- -Attend one of Countryside's theatrical performances = 10 Points
- -Audition for a production at Countryside = 10 points
- -Attend a production outside of Countryside = 5 points (can be another high school, college, professional, etc.) need to provide the program from the performance for credit
- -Write a 1 page critique of any performance you have seen this school year = 15 points
- -Read a play or musical from the play library and write a synopsis / review (1 Per Quarter) = 15 points

Mr. Saienni reserves the right to modify all aspects of the syllabus at any time for any reason

Room: Auditorium/ A2

Credits: 1 Performing Arts Credit, year-long course

Planning Period: 3rd Period – Auditorium Contact Info: saiennig@pcb.org or Remind

Broadway to Go / 2.0 Rehearsals: 12/7-12/9 @ 2-5 PM / 5/10-5/12 @ 2-5 PM

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Mainstage Production Dates: Fall Play: Puffs - 11/4-11/6 @ 7PM and 11/6 @ 2 PM

Fall Musical: All Together Now! - 11/13 @ 2 and 7 PM

Spring Musical: TBD - 3/24-3/26 @ 7PM and 3 /26 @ 2 PM

Musical Theatre Course Agreement

Go to the above link and fill out the form for your first assignment. You will receive 10 points for completing this assignment. Failure to do so will result in a 0