Course Title: Dramatic Arts 1-2

Course #: 1711-1712

Course Description:
Students will study acting, directing, costume, lighting, make-up, hair, and set design from the ancient Greek drama to present day. Play reading and rehearsal will be supplemented by viewing actual play scripts that have been developed into feature films. Students will study acting styles ranging from serious drama to comedy. Students will direct fellow classmates in traditional genre. Students will have the opportunity to participate in interscholastic drama competitions and explore practical applications in the field of theatrical arts, such as marketing, stage management, and technical direction.

UC/CSU Approval: “f” approved

Grade Level: 9-12

Estimated Homework Per Week: 1-2 hours

Prerequisite: None.

Recommended Prerequisite Skills: No requirement.

Course Grade Scale:
- Final: 15%
- Homework: 10%
- Participation: 40%
- Projects: 20%
- Quizzes and Tests: 15%

Major Assessments/Units/Topics:
This acting survey course covers such topics as:
- Acting: Self-Awareness: Auditions, Vocal Production, Movement
- Directing and Producing: The Production Team
- Technical Theater: The Crew
- Acting: Characterization
- Analyzing the Script
- Technical Theater: The Design Team
- Acting styles

Students will be actively engaged in performance and creation in order to produce a portfolio for presentation at the end of the year.