

4TH GRADE COURSE SYLLABUS  
THEATRE ARTS/DRAMA  
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Instructor:

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Description:

4th Grade Theatre Arts develops students' acting skills through improvisation and storytelling. Students work on scenes, exercises and games to expand their awareness and provide positive feedback. They also begin developing a vocabulary that relates to both stage and story. In this highly interactive course, students practice using voices, bodies, faces and space to communicate effectively. Students collaborate by doing ensemble work. Behavior that supports the ensemble is necessary for a positive classroom experience.

Learning Objectives and Benchmarks:

A 4th Grade student:

Creates stage stories within a group

Applies the actor's tools of voice, face, body and space to communicate an idea

Identifies stage directions and parts of the stage

Demonstrates the ability to perform in front of peers

Course Materials:

Students will be taught a variety of improvisational games and exercises requiring no special supplies.

Assessment:

Drama classes are strictly pass-fail. Students receive immediate feedback on classroom work.

Active participation in games and exercises are highly valued. Evaluations will focus more on an individual's effort rather than performance.

Schedule of Course:

Students meet every day for thirty-five minutes one academic quarter.