

Theatre Production Grading Policy

NOTIFICATION:

Students who cannot attend a performance or outside of school rehearsal MUST notify the director in advance. Students or parents may phone the director at school (361-284-3226 ext. 1222) at home/cell (361-676-6100) or email (mdoggett@iisd1.org) The director will make the determination if the absence is “excused” or “unexcused” based on the nature of the absence. Work or lack of transportation cannot be considered a legitimate excuse for absence. In most cases the only accepted excuses for a performance (major grade) will be death or sickness.

DAILY WORK: 40%

The daily grade is the cumulative class participation grade. The student will receive a grade of 100% each day provided he/she is in class on time and prepared. The student must follow all rehearsal guidelines. The student must participate the full class period.

TARDY: Tardiness will result in a 70% grade for the day (out of school rehearsal). A student is tardy if they are not in the warm up circle at 5:30 PM.

EXCUSED TARDY: An excused tardy (special circumstances worked out between student and director in advance or between teachers) will NOT result in the lowering of the daily participation grade.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCE: An unexcused absence from outside of school rehearsal will be recorded as a daily grade of zero until a signed note or email from the parents is received. Unexcused absence grades cannot be made up.

MAJOR WORK: 60%

All performances, clinics, tech and dress rehearsals one week prior to first performance.

EXCUSED ABSENCE: Any absence from any public performance, clinic or final rehearsal will result in a zero, unless arrangements are made between the student and director. At that point, a zero will be given until make up work and parent’s signed note is turned in.

MAKE UPWORK: Make up work is for excused absences only. Make up work is posted on the theatre website or from the director. **Make up work is due one week after the absence**, a grade of zero will be recorded at the time of the absence and replaced when the parent’s note/email (explaining the reason for the absence) and make up work is turned in. **Credit will not be given to make up work turned in after the one week period following the absence, a major grade of zero will remain in the grade book.**

UNEXCUSED ABSENCE: Any unexcused absence from a public performance, clinic or final rehearsal will result in a zero. Unexcused absences cannot be made up.

NON PRODUCTIVE STUDENTS:

Students who are not productive either in the acting or technical side of theatre production will be removed from the class. Students who are not productive can move into a Theatre 1 class that is less production oriented. This will allow the student to remain in theatre but be in a less demanding class and still receive their fine art elective, if needed. Theatre production basically operates the same way as band or any athletic sport.

MAKE UP WORK FOR EXCUSED MAJOR GRADE ABSENCE:

Write a 3 page typewritten paper on one of the listed people below for each excused absence. In this paper, include a biographical sketch (birth date, early life, education, family relationships, location of residences, death etc.), current events of the time of the person, major works and influences. **THE PAPER NEEDS TO BE SINGLE SPACED, SIZE 12 FONT AND ONE INCH MARGINS ON ALL SIDES.** Other topics may be arranged with director approval.

LIST FOR ACTORS:

Edward Albee
Samuel Beckett
Anton Chekhov
Noel Coward
Lillian Hellman
Henrik Isben
George S. Kaufman
David Mamet
Arthur Miller
Eugene O’Neill
Harold Pinter
George Bernard Shaw
Sam Shepard
Tom Stoppard
August Strindberg
Oscar Wilde
Tennessee Williams
Aeschylus
Aristophanes
Euripides
Plautus
Sophocles
Christopher Marlowe
William Shakespeare
Ben Johnson
August Wilson
Moliere

LIST FOR TECHIES:

Adolphe Appia
Aleksandra Ekster
Barry Kay
Boris Aronson
Cyro Del Nero
Edward Gordon Craig
Franco Zeffirelli
Inigo Jones
Ken Adam
Robert Wilson
Ming Cho Lee
Nathan Altman
Natalia Goncharova
Robert Brill
Russell Patterson
Howard Bay
George Tsypin
David Gallo
Ezio Frigerio
Jean-Pierre Ponnelle
Jo Mielziner
Maria Bjornson
Ralph Koltai
Luciano Bamiani
Josef Svoboda
Santo Loquasto
Franco Colavec

