

Adv. Technical Theatre (2023-2024)  
Angleton High School Theatre Department  
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**Objective:** Students will have the opportunity to advance their knowledge of all aspects of technical theatre- scenic design and construction, lighting design and theatrical electrical work, costume design and construction, sound design, stage management, and general theatre production. Students will develop a variety of skills including but not limited to theatrical technology, creative expression, collaboration, communication, evaluation, and critical thinking. This course will offer an outlet for students to express themselves through the confines of the theatre arts.

**Classroom Guidelines:**

- View the objective before you begin your daily work.
- Chromebooks must be fully charged before class begins.
- Cell phone use is not permitted.
- Food, drinks (with the exception of bottled water), and gum are not permitted in the classroom, scene shop, or auditorium.
- Students may not leave class without permission from the instructor.
- Students must always receive permission to use tools and materials.
- Technical equipment may only be operated by trained technicians.
- Follow all safety rules at all times.
- Respect the space, your peers, your directors, and yourself at all times.

**Grading Policy:** A student's grade will be determined by the following-

**MAJOR GRADES (40%)-** Tests and long-term projects

**DAILY GRADES (60%)-** in class activities, in class assignments, quizzes, and homework assignments

**SEMESTER EXAMS-** If students are not exempt from their final (as per school policy), students should expect to take a cumulative exam.

**Late Work:** Assignments will have 10 points deducted per day late, with a maximum of 30 points off. Assignments may only be turned in within 3 days of the due date.

**Absences:** In the case of an excused absence, students will receive a 3 day grace period in which to make up written work, tests, projects, and in class assignments or performances. When a student returns to class, that student will be responsible for keeping up with their current assignments. Make-up tests may vary in format from the original test (due to the performance and production aspects of this class). Students are responsible for contacting the instructor regarding make-up work.

Extracurricular Activities: Students should plan to participate after school by holding run crew positions for theatre department productions, workdays to build and paint sets for shows, and/or run crew positions for other auditorium events. Students may also have opportunities to travel with the theatre department for thespian society events or other theatre-related field trips. These activities may require that eligibility requirements be met before participation is allowed and/or may require a fee in order for a student to participate.

#### Safety:

- Safety is the main priority in all theatre classes. In this course, students will have contact with power tools and equipment used to build and create scenery for productions.
- If at any time your behavior constitutes a “safety concern”, we will have a conference to determine if you are able to continue this class. Any behavior that jeopardizes the safety of yourself, your instructor/ directors, or your peers will not be tolerated.

Leaving Class: Students are expected to participate at all times. Students should take care of personal business before school, after school, or between classes.

#### Dress Code:

- Students should wear comfortable clothing that doesn't restrict their movements.
- We will be working in the shop. On workdays, close-toed shoes must be worn to protect your feet. We will also be painting scenery. Students should wear or bring clothing that can be painted in.
- Students with long hair are expected to have some way to secure their hair back while working in class.
- Technicians are required to wear “Tech Blacks” to all performances and technical rehearsals.
- Actors must wear their designated costume for performances and dress rehearsals.

#### Supplies:

- Pencils
- Highlighters
- Folder, 1” binder, or similar for keeping notes, scripts, and project papers
- You must keep up with your scripts and bring them with you each day
- Sketch pad, extra erasers, and scale ruler (helpful but not required)

It is important to review the syllabus, classroom policies, and procedures with your parent(s) or guardian(s) to ensure a smooth year. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me via phone or email. I am looking forward to this year and getting to know all of my students!

Thank you,

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