

ACT Lessons

AWP has partnered with the Chesapeake Arts Center to offer a unique field trip opportunity to students in the 8-12 grades. This exciting opportunity will work to support social studies and language arts and provide an opportunity for students to learn to ACT through a live theater performance. We will work with educators and community partners to build a bridge between the formal classroom experience and live theatre, and to promote the unique skill-building potential of the arts.

Program Features

- **ACT** stands for **Action & Character Theater**.
- **ACT** Lesson plays are based on true historical events; also coined as “docu-plays.”
- **ACT** Lesson plays contain a wealth of historic information that will teach youth about specific historical events and formidable characters that show strength in the face of obstacles.
- **ACT** Lessons are designed to expose students to a unique character building experience by “bringing history to life” on stage.
- **ACT** Lessons are presented to create an internal dialogue designed to help the next generation of leaders reflect on ways to respond to the world around them.
- **ACT** Lessons will encourage and motivate students to think about ways to respond to injustice showing empathy & compassion and citizenship.
- **ACT** Lessons plays are historic in nature; however, many parallels will be drawn to present day current events.
- **ACT** Lessons are designed to support and enhance the classroom curriculum, primarily language arts and social studies.
- **ACT** Lesson plays can supplement historical projects and various social studies activities.