

Crook County High School Stage Craft
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Course Objective: This class is a study of performance technology used in theatrical and musical productions. The scope of the course will cover sound, lighting, scenic design, prop construction, as well as theater management topics. Performance technology is a growing industry and demand for people with technical knowledge and experience is very high, both locally and nationally.

Materials:

Notebook and writing utensils
Willingness to learn, respect for others, desire to work in a professional manner
Access to and permission to use the library, computers and internet are necessary

Student Outcomes

Students will:

- Develop basic theatre/auditorium knowledge
- Have the opportunity to work individually or in small groups to complete some class projects.
- Practice and execute sound/lighting/auditorium proficiencies
- Participate in group activities to create props, design simple light plots, and scenic design.
- Develop a professional demeanor both in class and with the public when working in the auditorium
- Develop and practice good safety procedures and act as a model for others.
- Have opportunities to support school, community, and professional programs and shows through set up and operation of sound and lighting equipment.

Assignments:

Completed group work	Tests and Quizzes (many hands-on)	
Prop construction	Production scene design	Mainstage production work
Stage proficiencies in sound, lighting, and auditorium/stage operation		Group final/Showcase participation
Make up design/ application	Scenic painting	

Participation and Late Work Policies: Since there are many stage proficiencies and group activities, your attendance is VERY IMPORTANT. If you know you will be absent it is best to tell your teacher and any groups you may be working with as soon as possible. **If you CANNOT work a production that you have signed up for you must find a replacement from the class AND notify Mrs. Hoffman ASAP. Failure to do so can result in a failing grade for this assignment.** Many of the assignments are times sensitive to a production. If a student does not have a particular item/task completed it will be reassigned and the student will receive a zero. This can be made up at a later date for points during ELO time.

Classroom Management Policy:

- Dress appropriately to fully participate in activities. **Techs will wear all BLACK when working evening shows. Failure to do so can mean a loss of participation points for the day/gig.** You may be working on stage, backstage, in the auditorium or the light booth.
- Do your best work. Try new techniques and ask questions as you learn.
- Respect others and all property. No food, drinks, or gum are allowed in the auditorium.
- Encourage learning in yourself and others.

Notification of the Right to Object to the Use of Materials

Any resident of the district may raise objection to instructional materials used in the district's educational program despite the fact that the individuals selecting such materials were duly qualified to make the selection and followed the proper procedure and observed the criteria for selecting such material.

The first step in expressing objection is consultation with the classroom teacher or library staff and providing a brief written complaint. The staff member receiving a complaint regarding instructional materials shall try to resolve the issue informally through the discussion of the original assignment or the opportunity for an alternative assignment.

Notification cont'd

If not satisfied with the initial explanation or an alternative assignment, the person raising the questions will meet with a building administrator who, if unable to resolve the complaint, will provide a Request for Reconsideration form which will be given to the superintendent for action.

Assignments

Completed group work-In small groups, students will practice and demonstrate proficient skills with a variety of techniques and equipment including the fly system, lighting and sound production. Points will be awarded for thorough application of skills, demonstrating the ability to work efficiently and perform in a safe and professional manner.

Tests and quizzes- Tests and quizzes will be administered in written, oral, and activity based forms. These will be announced prior to administration.

Stage proficiencies in sound and lighting- A series of sound, lighting, and building operation proficiencies will be provided for students to practice and perform. Students will work within small groups as teams to complete as many as possible.

Production scene design- With the option to work alone or in small groups, students will read, research, and design a simple set/model for a play. If time allows each student will have the opportunity to chalk his/her design on the stage floor to discuss and critique for stage worthiness.

Prop construction-Student, working alone or in small teams (2-3) will choose a prop to construct from bare materials. Sketches, materials, cost, and construction steps will be included with the final project. Students will also create props for and provide technical support for the fall show.

Mainstage production work - Students will complete various tasks including prop and costume construction, set construction and painting, and other technical aspects for the drama productions on the mainstage (Feb., May and June). Students will also be able to sign up for production crew jobs and work each performance. Shows will take place after school, evenings, weekends and occasionally during school hours. Students must tech at least 10 hours(in school or afterschool) to earn an A grade.

Make up Design and Application- Students will learn the basics of theatrical make up design then create a make up plot and apply it for a grade. Ben Nye make up kits will be used and students will need to supply facial cleansers and towels for this unit.

Final Project (possible)- Students, working in small groups (4-5), will be responsible for creating, designing lights and sound, setting up, running, then striking a complete 10 minute "performance". This short production should showcase their technical knowledge and creativity.

Drama Showcase (January)- The best work of all the drama, improv and speech classes will be featured during Drama Showcase. Some stage craft students will be asked to provide the technical aspects of the show (LIGHTS and SOUND and RUN CREW) while the others will help set up or strike the show in addition to attending. All groups will then use the last days of the class to evaluate and critique the performance so attendance is necessary.

Please sign, detach and return to Mrs. Hoffman by Friday for full points.

I have read and understand the Stage Craft syllabus for Semester 1. I will call or email Mrs. Hoffman with questions or concerns regarding my student, _____.

Parent Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date

**Crook County
High School**

**Participation Permit
Grades 9-12, Theatre Arts**

Fill out completely

Name _____, _____, _____
Last First Middle

Student Number Grade Phone Number

As part of the instructional process of this course video taping of student demonstrations and activities may take place. The above named student has permission to participate in such activities.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

I want my () son or () daughter to have the privilege of participating in the vocational educational/ industrial arts programs.

_____, therefore, has my permission to participate in such
(Name of student)

courses approved by the Board of Education of the local School District and to go with the instructor on any regularly scheduled trips.

While I expect school authorities to exercise reasonable precautions to avoid injury, I understand that they assume no financial obligation for any injury that may occur.

INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS

It is recommended that all students participating in a vocational/industrial arts program be covered by accident insurance. (Either home or school insurance)

Crook County Schools has an insurance policy available. Your son/daughter may obtain school insurance if you wish for them to do so. For further information on school insurance call Debbie Proctor at 541-416-6900. Crook County Schools has no provision to cover expenses that occur as the result of any injury.

MEDICAL RELEASE

I understand that the school authorities will use their best judgment in determining emergency care and procedures. I also understand that the district has no provisions for expenses incurred in carrying out emergency procedures and/or emergency transportation. In case of illness, accident, or emergency to the student named above, the school is authorized to obtain immediate medical care.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

SAFETY RULE CONTRACT

THERE ARE HAZARDS IN THE AUTO, WOOD, METAL SHOPS AND THEATER THAT CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY. BECAUSE WE WANT TO INSURE THE SAFEST CONDITIONS POSSIBLE, STUDENTS MUST CONFORM TO CERTAIN SAFETY RULES.

THESE RULES ARE LISTED BELOW

- 1. Eye protection will be worn when using saws, drills, or hammers and when erecting a set or hanging scenery.**
- 2. Open toed shoes are not allowed. Leather shoes are advised.**
- 3. Students will wear appropriate clothing that allows movement and protects the body.**
- 4. Long hair must be kept under a cap or tied back.**
- 5. Loose clothing must be tucked in. It is possible to have clothing snag or catch.**
- 6. Horseplay or fighting is not allowed.**

VIOLATION OF THESE SAFETY RULES WILL RESULT IN THE FOLLOWING DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

- I. The first violation will result in grade deduction and notation in the teacher's grade book.**

Violation	Date

- II. The second will result in a referral to the assistant principal for student management and a letter will be sent home.**

Violation	Date	Letter sent

- III. The third violation will result in removal from class.**

Violation	Date	Parent contact

I have read the RULES and REQUIREMENTS of this class as explained to me by the instructor and the information provided in this contract. I UNDERSTAND and agree to abide by the above rules.

Parent Signature _____

Student Signature _____

Date _____