



Theatre III/IV 26-27

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About Mrs. Thompson

Welcome to Theatre III/IV, and welcome to Kirkwood High School! My name is Brittany Thompson, and I am the Theatre teacher, Theatre Guild Sponsor, Speech Team coach, and International Thespians Society Sponsor.

This is my 9th year of teaching, and I am thrilled to be building this program with you! When I am not at school, I am usually spending time with my husband, three amazing kids, and dogs and cats at my home in Kentucky. I love gardening, reading books, spending time outdoors, crocheting, and seeing plays.

I, of course, have a deep love for Theatre and art; however, I understand the anxiety that may come with performing and being vulnerable. My goals for all students who participate in my class are for each student to know they add value to every room they are in, that every human is capable of being creative, and that each student leaves my classroom more confident in their ability to be in front of an audience.

Curriculum Overview:

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Tentative Dates:

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Spring One Act- May 18th

Assignments are subject to change.

There will be additional assignments than those listed.

Weekly Grades: Bellringers (25 points)

Performance (25 points)

9 Weeks	Topic	Possible Major Assignments
N1	<i>Building an ensemble Improv Auditions for One Act Rehearse One Act</i>	Auditions Character Research Tech Work
N2	<i>Rehearse One Act Set and Costume Work Competition</i>	Set Design for One Act Final Performance
N3	<i>Devising Work Technical Theatre</i>	Rehearsal Journal Scene Performances

	<i>Characterization Rehearsal Process</i>	
N4	<i>Directing</i>	Student Directed Scenes

We will be performing 10 Ways to Survive the Zombie Apocalypse as our competitive One Act Play.

It is the policy of the Clarksville Montgomery County School System to follow the dictates of state statutes in the selection and use of all instructional materials. Parents or legal guardians may request to review any instructional materials used in the classroom of the parent or legal guardian's child following the guideline set forth in Instructional Policy INS-A073 found at:
<https://employees.cmcss.net/misc/ViewISO?filename=INS-A073.pdf>.

Supplies Needed:

Students will need *1 notebooks, folder, pencil, and paper* for this course.

There will be various design projects in which basic supplies will be provided and students may bring in personal materials for these assignments.

Classroom Expectations:

1. Be prepared and prompt. (Notebook, pencil, computer, material memorized...etc)
2. Be PRESENT. (Actively participating in all class activities and observations)
3. Be respectful to peers, adults in and out of the classroom, and yourself.
4. Make mistakes.
5. The theater is a space to be respected.
6. Follow all other KIHS rules and expectations (food, cell phone policy, etc)

Behavior & Conduct:

Students will follow the CMCSS Code of Conduct and the rules outlined in the Kirkwood High School Student Handbook at all times. The Student Code of Conduct for the 2023-2024 school year has been revised; make sure you review it and are familiar with the revisions. Behaviors that interfere with the learning process, our academic environment, or show a lack of respect for others will not be tolerated.

Tardies:

If a student is late, it will be documented in Powerschool. After two tardies, the student's guardian will be notified, and on the 3rd tardy, the student will receive a referral.

Dismissal:

Class will end with a closure activity each day. This may be an exit ticket, it may be a discussion topic, or it may be a sticky note on the door on the way. Students will be given a one minute warning prior to dismissal in which they can reflect on the class and pack their belongings. They will be dismissed with the bell.

Grading Policies and Procedures:

- **Classes WITHOUT an End-of-Course (EOC) Test:**

- S1 and S2

1st 9 weeks = 40%

2nd 9 weeks = 40%

Final Exam = 20%

Note:

If you earn an “A” for both the 3rd and 4th Nine Weeks, you will be exempt from the second semester exam, in which case each nine weeks’ grades will constitute 50% of your semester average.

The Clarksville-Montgomery County School System uses a numerical grading system for reporting student progress to parents. A grade of 60 and above is considered passing. A grade of 59 and below is failing.

A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	0-59

Make-Up Work Policy:

All make-up work will be handled according to CMCSS board policy. The days a student has to complete missing work is equal to the number of days the student is absent. If a student is absent due to a school-based trip, he/she is still responsible for completing any missed work. It is the student’s responsibility to communicate with the teacher and get the work missed. If a student misses a test, the student is responsible for making arrangements with the teacher to complete the missed assessment. A grade of zero will be given for any missed work due to absence and will be changed upon the assignment’s completion. If work is not completed within the time allowed, a zero may remain as the grade.

Late Work Policy:

5 points will be deducted for each day the assignment is late. The assignment will not be accepted after being 10 school days late.

Kirkwood High School Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy: At Kirkwood High, we want your learning to reflect *your own* thinking, effort, and growth. To make sure everyone has a fair chance to succeed, using AI tools, such as ChatGPT, Grammarly, or any other AI that helps write, research, solve, or analyze, is **not allowed** for schoolwork.

Here is what that means for you:

- **Homework and Assignments:** All assignments should be your own original work. You cannot use AI tools to write essays, answer questions, help you research or generate any part of your homework.
- **Class Discussions and Presentations:** When you speak in class or give a presentation, your ideas should come from you, not from an AI tool. This includes preparing your notes and/or slides.
- **Projects and Group Work:** Whether you are working solo or in a group, don't use AI to plan, research, or create any part of the project. Everyone in a group is responsible for keeping things "AI-free."
- **Academic Integrity:** Turning in work made by AI, or using it to get ahead, is considered cheating. It is not fair to your classmates, and it does not help you grow as a learner.

If an AI tool is ever approved for use on a given assignment, the teacher will communicate and model how to appropriately use the AI tool for the given task. If you are ever unsure about what counts as using AI, ask your teacher first. The faculty at Kirkwood High is here to help you learn how to ethically use these types of tools and resources.

Theatre III/IV Parent Syllabus Acknowledgement & Information

This will be a completion grade for my class. Please complete the form below and return it to acknowledge your understanding of the course and its expectations.

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Student Name (printed) _____

Parent/Guardian Name (printed) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Best Contact Phone # _____

Parent/Guardian E-mail _____

How do you prefer I contact you regarding necessary updates on your child's grade, academic performance, behavior, etc? **(check all that apply)**

____ Text (please ensure phone number above is correct and includes area code)

____ E-mail (please ensure email above is correct)

____ Phone Call

____ Parentsquare

