

Class Expectations

1. Be prepared
2. Respect yourself, your teacher, and your peers
3. **NO BULLYING!**
4. No food or drinks
5. Have fun!

****See Behavior Contract for more detailed expectations and**

Class Supplies & Required Texts

Supplies

- 3-ring binder and loose-leaf paper or notebook and folder for Intro only.
- Writing utensils: pencils, highlighters, pens (blue, black or dark purple ink only).

Required Texts

- Glencoe's *Speech* (provided)

Mrs. Ryann Despot

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P115

Classroom Phone/Voicemail:
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Conference Period:
3rd
****I am also available during 8th or after school upon request.****



Intro to
Performing
Arts
2017-2018

Course Brochure

Jackson High School

7600 Fulton Dr. NW

Massillon, OH 44646

<http://www.jackson.stark.k12.oh.us/index>

Mrs. Despot

Course Description

"If you can speak, you can influence. If you can influence, you can change lives."



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Grading Policy

*Assignments will be weighted according to the expectations of each assignment. Rubrics will often be used for assessment and given to students before due date to aid progress. Point values, expectations, and due dates will be made clear when the assignment is given. They will also be posted on class website and/or Polaris. Work will be graded and returned to student folders in a timely manner. I may wish to keep some assignments for my own files, but will always request students' permission first.

* Student effort may be factored into individual grades.

*Grades are weighted as follows:

Product – 85%	A: 90-100	D: 60-69
Process – 15%	B: 80-89	F: 59- below
	C: 70-79	

Creativity is encouraged as students participate in a wide variety of activities that will prepare them for college and a career. Exciting speaking and acting projects will include: persuasive speeches, interviews, music videos, improvisation, playwriting, acting, debate and much more. Students will also study elements of mass media. The use of technical theater elements will be explored. This course will benefit all college-bound students by developing self-confidence, life-long communication skills and an appreciation for the performing arts.

Homework

* Homework is a necessary part of learning. It is used to reinforce a concept taught in class to determine the students' understanding of a concept or selection. With this in mind, these are the policies for homework and assignments:

- Homework is late if it is not physically in class at the beginning of the period it is due.
- If you are late to school, you must turn in your homework by the end of the day or it is considered late.
- Late homework may receive half credit; however, if it is daily homework we have gone over in class, no credit will be given for a late turn-in.
- Larger assignments turned in late will be docked a minimum of one letter grade per day it is late.

Please not that this class is required to register for Remind101, Turnitin.com, AND Google Classroom. This is not optional!

*See Behavior Contract for more information on ALL class policies.**

Attendance & Make-Up Policy

* Attendance is a crucial part of your success in school and future careers. It is your responsibility to make up any missing work or tests. Unexcused absences are unacceptable and any work missed, as a result, will be penalized.

*For excused absences only:

- Tests, quizzes, and homework/projects previously assigned will be due on the day of your return.
- For each day missed, students will have one day to submit work.
- Projects/homework may be submitted by friends or family members.

*Additional Make-up Policy Reminders:

- Tests, quizzes, and homework/projects that are missed may only be made up if the absence was excused.
- Make-up tests/quizzes will generally be made up during lunch, study halls, or scheduled afterschool times.
- If present on test/quiz days, you must complete them that day.
- It is your responsibility to get any missing work from the class website, teacher, or absent folder. Also, ask me the day you return about missing work.