

## Academy Performances

*Dramatic Arts Academy III* produces a children's show that tours throughout local elementary and middle schools. *Dramatic Arts Academy IV* produces a full-length production for public performance. All Academy courses (I-IV) will participate in a showcase performance at the end of each school year.

## Extra-Curricular Opportunities

In addition to performances and activities pertaining to the academy courses, students have the opportunity to get involved with other dramatic arts activities at Cumberland Regional High School.



## Fall Play



New Jersey Drama & Forensics League



## Spring Musical



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## Drama Boosters

Parents have a role to play, too!

**Drama Boosters** is a non-profit volunteer organization of parents and guardians who are dedicated to supporting the dramatic arts programs at Cumberland Regional High School.

The goal of **Drama Boosters** is to make the programs more accessible and meaningful for students by raising funds and providing support for college scholarships, field trips and events, and for the various dramatic arts productions throughout the year at Cumberland Regional High School.

We encourage parents and guardians to get involved with the **Drama Boosters** program. Volunteers are crucial to the success of the programs, and your commitment can be as little or as much as you want it to be.

## Academy Faculty



**Mrs. Elisabeth Campbell** graduated from Rutgers University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Acting and earned her Master's degree in teaching from Rowan University. She also directs the annual fall play and organizes the annual Shakespeare performance for *Shakesperience* at Rider University. Outside of CRHS, Mrs. Campbell works with the Delaware Shakespeare Theatre as their vocal coach and has acted in many local community theatre productions. Mrs. Campbell was also recognized as Cumberland Regional High School District's "Teacher of the Year" in 2009.

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Cumberland Regional High School  
**Dramatic Arts Academy**

## Overview

Cumberland Regional High School's *Dramatic Arts Academy* is a four-year, comprehensive program designed to foster students' personal, intellectual, and social development, while arming them with skills and experiences necessary for potential future careers in the performing arts. The Academy focuses on the exploration of the human condition through dramatic literature and performance. Students in the Academy will develop a greater awareness of themselves and an appreciation for and understanding of the arts and the world around them. The Academy also provides students with learning experiences that develop the 21<sup>st</sup> century skills of communication, critical thinking, problem-solving, and creativity, which are needed for students to succeed in the competitive global economy and work place.

Students will be able to take part in a number of events including the fall play, spring musical, statewide dramatic competitions, and academy showcases. An articulation agreement is in place with Rowan University and Cumberland County College whereby students can earn dual credit for the college while enrolled in high school classes. Additionally, guest artist residencies and partnerships are a staple of the program. Partnerships exist with Rowan University, Philadelphia Shakespeare Theatre, Walnut Street Theatre, Appel Farm, and more.



The Philadelphia Shakespeare Theatre CRHS hosts a week-long Artist-in-Residence program, where a guest artist facilitates workshops and organizes performances centered around one of Shakespeare's plays.

## Core Academy Courses

*Dramatic Arts Academy I* (Grades 9-10)

*Dramatic Arts Academy II* (Grades 10-11)

*Dramatic Arts Academy III* (Grades 11-12)

*Dramatic Arts Academy IV* (Grades 11-12)



## Suggested Course Sequence

Freshman Year	Sophomore Year
1 - Language Arts*	1 - Language Arts*
2 - Math*	2 - Math*
3 - Science*	3 - Science*
4 - Phys. Ed./Health	4 - Phys. Ed./Health
5 - World History*	5 - U.S. History I*
6 - World Language	6 - <i>Dramatic Arts Academy II CP</i>
7 - <i>Dramatic Arts Academy I</i>	7 - additional academic or elective course
8 - additional academic or elective course	8 - additional academic or elective course
Junior Year	Senior Year
1 - Language Arts*	1 - Language Arts*
2 - Math*	2 - Math*
3 - Science*	3 - Science*
4 - Phys. Ed./Health	4 - Phys. Ed./Health
5 - U.S. History II*	5 - Financial Literacy*
6 - <i>Dramatic Arts Academy III CP</i> <small>Counts as 21st Century Skills Requirement</small>	6 - <i>Dramatic Arts Academy IV CP</i>
7 - additional academic or elective course	7 - additional academic or elective course
8 - additional academic or elective course	8 - additional academic or elective course

\*Students can take courses at the CP, Honors, or AP academic levels (where applicable)



Rowan University's Department of Theatre and Dance has established a partnership with the CRHS Dramatic Arts Academy, offering workshops led by some of their faculty members and performances (both at CRHS and Rowan) by some of their talented student actors, actresses, singers, and dancers. Dual-credit opportunities exist at both Rowan University and Cumberland County College for students who take Drama III and Drama IV Academy classes.

## Application Process

In order to be considered for the *Dramatic Arts Academy* at Cumberland Regional High School, students are required to submit an interest form by the end of May.

Forms can either be emailed to [campbelle@crhsd.org](mailto:campbelle@crhsd.org)

Or mailed to:  
Cumberland Regional High School  
Attn: Dramatic Arts Academy  
90 Silver Lake Road  
Bridgeton, New Jersey 08302

More information about the  
Dramatic Arts Programs at CRHS  
can be found at:  
[www.crhsd.org](http://www.crhsd.org)