MTMS Speech/Theater Syllabus

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<u>Course Description</u>: This course introduces students to Speech and Drama, including acting, speeches/monologues, debate, theatrical terminology, and production responsibilities. Students will participate in a variety of drama activities, exercises, and scene work, which will include improvised and scripted scenes. Collaboration, creativity, and critical thinking skills will be emphasized and developed. Students will learn techniques for public speaking and presentations. We will work toward gaining confidence, learning how to overcome stage fright, and how to become effective communicators.

Kansas Theater Standards:

- 1. Discover/Create
- 2. Develop/Perform
- 3. Appreciate/Respond
- 4. Connect/Integrate

<u>Classroom Materials</u>: In addition to the required materials below, students may be asked to provide props and/or costumes for any in-class performances.

- a. Macbook
- b. Pencil
- c. Agenda
- d. Scripts/Monologues/Props (provided) Students will be held financially responsible for any lost or damaged property

Grading:

- 1. Daily work in class (graded on a rubric each week)
- 2. Projects/Speeches/Monologues
- 3. Oral and written tests/quizzes
- 4. Assignments

<u>Behavior Expectations/Consequences</u>: All students will be respectful, responsible, and safe at all times. If a student chooses not to comply with these expectations, they can expect the following steps to be taken.

- 1. Warning
- 2. Think Sheet or Lunch Detention depending on the situation
- 3. Parent Phone Call
- 4. Office Referral