

VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS: THEATER

ACTING I

School(s): **All High Schools**

Course #: **106011**

Grade(s): **9, 10, 11, 12**

<u>Duration:</u>	<u>Credit/Term</u>	<u>Meets Grad Requirements</u>	<u>Prerequisite:</u>	<u>NCAA Status</u>
1 Term	0.5	VPAA or English Elective	Theater I (Skyline)	

Acting I is an introductory course in the fundamentals of stage acting. Through games, activities, exercises and performances that include but are not limited to storytelling, scenes and monologues, students gain confidence in presenting themselves before an audience, develop their skills in focus, concentration, movement, and vocal delivery. In a safe and positive environment students build together, they have the opportunity to take risks and reflect upon themselves and their experiences with the goal of expressing emotion and thought on stage in a believable and fulfilling way. Students engage in critical, thoughtful discussions, language study, and various forms of writing.

This course is aligned to the Michigan Standards in VPAA and ELA.

ACTING II

School(s): **All High Schools**

Course #: **106012**

Grade(s): **10, 11, 12**

<u>Duration:</u>	<u>Credit/Term</u>	<u>Meets Grad Requirements</u>	<u>Prerequisite:</u>	<u>NCAA Status</u>
2 Terms	0.5	VPAA or English Elective	Acting I & Theater I (Skyline)	

Successful completion of Acting I is a prerequisite, but this can be waived with teacher permission. Acting II builds upon the skills of Acting I but is more focused on performance of monologues, scenes, and one act plays. Performances are attended by invited audiences and guests, including a performing arts festival. The class also takes field trips to a professional theater performance. Students engage in critical reading, thoughtful discussions, language study, and various forms of writing. Acting II is the ideal course for students who have a desire to act in "straight theater" (as opposed to musical theater) and are seeking opportunities to develop their skills.

This course is aligned to the Michigan standards in VPAA and ELA.

THEATER I

School(s): **Huron, Pioneer, Skyline**

Course #: **731011**

Grade(s): **9, 10, 11, 12**

<u>Duration:</u>	<u>Credit/Term</u>	<u>Meets Grad Requirements</u>	<u>Prerequisite:</u>	<u>NCAA Status</u>
1 Term	0.5	VPAA or English Elective	None	

The purpose of this course is to introduce the student to the power of the theater to reflect the world. The first part of the course will concentrate on the listening and communication skills necessary to develop the actor within and create a safe environment in which each student can explore freely. Some of the activities students will participate in will include improvisation; pantomime; monologue and scene performance; basic set, lighting, and text analysis and the role theater plays in our society. Students engage in critical reading, thoughtful discussions, language study, and various forms of writing.

THEATER II

School(s): **Huron, Skyline**

Course #: **731012**

Grade(s): **9, 10, 11, 12**

<u>Duration:</u>	<u>Credit/Term</u>	<u>Meets Grad Requirements</u>	<u>Prerequisite:</u>	<u>NCAA Status</u>
1 Term	0.5	VPAA or English Elective	theater I	

Theater II is designed as an intermediate level study of theater arts. It uses individual and group assignments as well as ensemble productions to provide students hands-on experience in the world of theater. Students will learn intermediate acting, technical theater concepts, theater vocabulary as well as theater history.

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THEATER III

School(s): **Skyline**

Course #: **731012**

Grade(s): **10, 11, 12**

<u>Duration:</u>	<u>Credit/Term</u>	<u>Meets Grad Requirements</u>	<u>Prerequisite:</u>	<u>NCAA Status</u>
1 Term	0.5	VPAA or English Elective	theater II	

This course is designed for students with significant experience in theater and promotes depth of engagement and lifelong appreciation for theater through a broad spectrum of teacher-assigned and self-directed study and performance. Students regularly reflect on aesthetics and issues related to and addressed through theater and create various aspects of theater.

THEATER DESIGN I

School(s): **Pioneer, Skyline***

Course #: **731021**

Grade(s): **9, 10, 11, 12**

<u>Duration:</u>	<u>Credit/Term</u>	<u>Meets Grad Requirements</u>	<u>Prerequisite:</u>	<u>NCAA Status</u>
1 Term	0.5	VPAA	*Theater I (Skyline only)	

This course will focus on the design and practical application of technical theater. Students will study every aspect of technical theater including set design and construction, lighting design and construction, sound design and construction, costume design and construction and marketing techniques. This class will prepare students for performing arts productions.

THEATER DESIGN II

School(s): **Pioneer, Skyline***

Course #: **731022**

Grade(s): **10, 11, 12**

<u>Duration:</u>	<u>Credit/Term</u>	<u>Meets Grad Requirements</u>	<u>Prerequisite:</u>	<u>NCAA Status</u>
1 Term	0.5	VPAA	Theater Design I, *Theater I (Skyline only)	

This course will continue to focus on the design and practical application of all technical aspects covered in Theater Design I. A more in-depth focus will be placed on design. Students will be asked to create set and light designs. In addition, students in this course will be trained in the technical aspects of the auditorium and will have the opportunity to work for groups that use the auditorium.

THEATER PRODUCTION

School(s): **Community, Pathways**

Course #: **106013**

Grade(s): **9, 10, 11, 12**

<u>Duration:</u>	<u>Credit/Term</u>	<u>Meets Grad Requirements</u>	<u>Prerequisite:</u>	<u>NCAA Status</u>
1 Term	0.5	VPAA or English Elective	None	

This course is for students who are interested in how a play goes from paper to live performance. The class will consist of hands-on technical aspects of theater and class work centered on plan analysis. Each student will also choose a play to "produce" on paper.

THEATER, MUSICAL

School(s): **Skyline**

Course #: **731031**

Grade(s): **10, 11, 12**

<u>Duration:</u>	<u>Credit/Term</u>	<u>Meets Grad Requirements</u>	<u>Prerequisite:</u>	<u>NCAA Status</u>
1 Term	0.5	VPAA	Theater I; and placement audition	

This course is designed for the vocal music student or theater student who wants to learn the unique techniques required for a musical theater performance. The course will culminate in a Broadway review performance.