

Grade 9 Dramatic Arts



Drama allows students to learn in a collaborative, hands-on way. Students work in groups to explore a variety of issues and topics through different dramatic techniques. Students will use a variety of stories, articles and poems to create their own performances. Drama allows students to develop communication, teamwork and performance skills that are useful in the drama classroom and in life. Drama helps students build confidence, explore ideas and discuss different opinions. Students will develop social skills and problem solving skills while studying drama techniques such as; tableau, mime, voice, role playing and storytelling.

Why Take Drama?

- You need an arts credit to graduate!
- You love to be the centre of attention and want to perform in front of an audience.
- You want to build confidence and develop communication skills in a welcoming, non-judgemental, low-stress environment.
- You like to learn in a hands on, group environment.

Careers Related to Drama:

There are many careers related to drama for students who are interested in working behind the scenes as well as those who wish to perform. Many of the following jobs are available in Film, Television and Theatre.

- Actor (Film, Television, Stage)
- Director
- Producer
- Box Office
- Publicity
- Radio DJ
- Music VJ
- News Broadcaster
- Costume Design (including clothes, hats, shoes etc.)
- Set Design
- Lighting Design
- Sound Engineer
- Lighting Technician
- Stage Manager
- Technical Director
- House Manager
- Dramaturge (Researcher)
- Stage hand
- Props master
- Make up Artist
- Drama/Literary Manager
- Drama Teacher
- Drama Therapist
- Arts Manager
- Community Arts Worker
- Scenic Painter
- Camera Operator

Careers that benefit from a background in Drama:

Any career that involves communication, teamwork, people skills or presentations will benefit from a background in drama. People pursuing careers such as;

- Doctor
- Lawyer
- Business Person
- Entrepreneur
- Teacher
- Retail
- Marketing Rep.
- Motivational Speaker
- Sales person
- Advertising Executive

... and many others, will all benefit from the skills learned in drama class!