

## **Course Title**

Drama 1A

## **Description of Target Group**

This course is designed as an elective for any student of any grade level.

## **Purpose**

This one-semester course will enable students to develop an appreciation for the theater arts.

## **Standards of Expected Student Achievement**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to successfully demonstrate the following skills:

1. Develop individual confidence, personality, and poise.
2. Make honest artistic commitments in physicalizing and expressing feelings and emotions.
3. Develop awareness of the body as a means of expression.
4. Develop vocal skills.
5. Participate in exercises to develop (1) quick responses, (2) problem solving, (3) group cooperation, and (4) emotional interaction.
6. Experience and understand basic acting skills.
7. Develop an understanding of story structure, plot, and conflict through improvisation, story dramatization and play writing.
8. Write scripts for story dramatizations.
9. Perform scenes from scripts.
10. View theatrical productions.

## **Instructional Materials**

Text and Supplementary Materials

Refer to: Secondary Adopted Texts and Approved Supplementary Books Used in the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District

## **Activities**

Pantomimes, improvisations, voice exercise, play writing, scene design, creative movement, dance, and memorization of acting scenes.