

STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

Welcome to the Liberty Drama. We are looking forward to another opportunity to work together and have fun!

In order to be safe while having fun putting up a full length production, we must have standards of conduct for all members of the cast and crew during rehearsals. We will not tolerate violations of these; **anyone who chooses to disregard them may be removed from the cast or crew**. Acceptance of a role in the production, whether in the cast or crew, constitutes agreement to these standards.

1. **Attendance:** Attendance is mandatory to all rehearsals for which the actor is called. Actors are allowed 2 excused absences or 1 unexcused absence. An excused absence is any absence with 2 weeks notice. An unexcused absence is less than two weeks' notice. Please plan doctor's appointments on days that your child does not have rehearsal. If your child misses more than the allotted amount of rehearsals than he/she may be excused from 1 or more performances.
2. **During rehearsals and shows, all members of the cast/crew are to remain in the designated area.** You may use the restrooms as needed. At no time are any cast/crew members to leave the area without permission.
3. **While in the space, all members of the cast/crew will conduct themselves with respect.** The property and its equipment, furniture and belongings should be used properly and with care to maintain its integrity.
4. It is our responsibility as a team to keep the rehearsal space clean.
5. **At no time are any cast/crew members to leave the space,** unless express permission is granted by one of the directors or production team leader. The exception, of course, will be any times when rehearsals are required to be moved. Cast/crew members must follow the express guidance on where they may/may not go.
6. **Be ready to begin rehearsal at the scheduled time and be picked up promptly.** If you must be late for a rehearsal, inform Mr. Cimino the Director.
7. **Personal behavior must exemplify respect to those in authority, to one another, and to the property.**
Remember the 3 R's:
 - **Respect for yourself:** Your work is a self-portrait so do your best.
 - **Respect for others:** Do not speak disrespectfully to others or about others. Public speaking can be a daunting task; therefore, listen to others and be respectful at all times. Also, do not swear. Swearing during speeches may result in grade penalties.
 - **Responsibility for ALL your actions:** Be in your seat when the bell rings and be prepared for class. Think before you act.
8. **Rehearsals are closed. This means they are for cast/crew members only, and their "designated drivers."** Please do not invite your friends and significant others to rehearsals. Exceptions may be granted in advance only at the discretion of the directors.
9. **Dress Code: Please follow the student handbook for appropriate dress code rules and regulations.**
10. **Costumes** – Several of our Costumes will be specially made. If your costume is destroyed or stolen while in your possession, then you must pay for the price of the costume. If your costume needs to be altered please see one of our costuming crew parents. Do not make any alterations on any costumes yourself. If you do not like your costume, please do not tell your designer, they have worked very hard to provide a cohesive and inventive costume for you. Only inform the designers if the costume does not fit or if it is broken.
11. **GRADING POLICY** The Drama Club is an extension of the classroom. School work and academics is a priority for all drama club and extracurricular drama activities. Producing and participating in a play is a lot of work. Students will be called to rehearsals, tech meetings, and long Saturday and tech rehearsals. Under no circumstances, is any student to use Drama Club or any extra curricular activity as an excuse for not having work completed or a poor grade. Should any student need time to complete homework or an assigned activity, they should speak with the Drama Teacher to establish a study hall prior to or during rehearsals. If they are studying during rehearsal, then they will not be marked absent, as long as they are in the auditorium.