# Theatre Content Standards **Grades 9-12 – Advanced**



Processing, Analyzing, and Responding to Sensory Information through the Language and Skills Unique to Theatre

- 1.1 Use the vocabulary of theatre, such as genre, style, acting values, theme, and design to describe theatrical experiences.
- 1.2 Research, analyze, or serve as the dramaturg for a play in collaboration with the director, designer, or playwright.
- 1.3 Identify the use of metaphor, subtext, and symbolic elements in scripts and theatrical productions.

# 2.0 CREATIVE EXPRESSION:

#### Creating, Performing, and Participating in Theatre

- 2.1 Make acting choices, using script analysis, character research, reflection, and revision to create characters from classical, contemporary, realistic, and nonrealistic dramatic texts.
- 2.2 Improvise or write dialogues and scenes, applying basic dramatic structure (exposition, complication, crises, climax, and resolution) and including complex characters with unique dialogue that motivates the action.
- 2.3 Work collaboratively as designer, producer, or actor to meet directorial goals in scenes and plays from a variety of contemporary and classical playwrights.

#### 3.0 HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL CONTEXT:

#### Understanding the Historical Contributions and Cultural Dimensions of Theatre

- 3.1 Research and perform monologues in various historical and cultural contexts, using accurate and consistent physical mannerisms and dialect.
- 3.2 Analyze the impact of theatre, film, television, and electronic media on society.
- 3.3 Perform, design, or direct theatre pieces in specific theatrical styles, including classics by such playwrights as Sophocles, Shakespeare, Lope de Vega, Aphra Behn, Moliere, and Chekhov.
- 3.4 Compare and contrast specific styles and forms of world theatre. For example, differentiate between Elizabethan comedy and Restoration farce.

# 4.0 AESTHETIC VALUING:

# Responding to, Analyzing, and Critiquing Theatrical Experiences

- 4.1 Use complex evaluation criteria and terminology to compare and contrast a variety of genres of dramatic literature.
- 4.2 Draw conclusions about the effectiveness of informal and formal productions, films/videos, or electronic media on the basis of intent, structure, and quality of the work.

# 5.0 CONNECTIONS, RELATIONSHIPS, APPLICATIONS:

Connecting and Applying What Is Learned in Theatre, Film/Video, and Electronic Media to Other Art Forms and Subject Areas and to Careers

5.1 Create projects in other school courses or places of employment, using tools, techniques, and processes from the study and practice of theatre, film/video, and electronic media.