

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

Welcome back! I'm so excited to be starting a new year here at Douglas MacArthur Junior High. We will be doing many fun things this year in Drama class. Students, all of your assignments will be posted on Google Classroom. Parents, you can stay up to date with everything your child is doing in my class on my website: *carsontheatre.weebly.com*

I ask that students **bring a three ringed binder and 2 highlighters** that are different colors. I also ask that students bring a good attitude to class! We will be doing things in this class that students will not be doing in any of the other classes, so one must keep an open mind in order to be successful in Drama.

Students will receive their grades (just for my class) every two weeks on Friday. I will pass around a sheet with their student ID number on it with their overall grade and grades for all of their assignments. This is beneficial for both me and the students because they see what grades they have missing and I know they saw their grades. I will also pass around a sheet stapled to the grades for the students to sign saying that they saw their grades. If the student was absent on the day that the grades were passed around, it is the student's responsibility to ask the see their grade when they get back.

Drama Club fees this year have been raised in order to provide for our fundraisers and shows. If you are a returning student and already paid the Drama Club fee last year of \$10, then you will only owe \$10 this year. But if you are a student who did not pay the fees last year, the price is \$20. Please pay these fees with cash and I will write the student a receipt. But keep in mind, **paying Drama Club fees in NOT a requirement for the class.**

For our first fundraiser, we will be selling Boston Butts. The price will be \$35 and the cutoff date to sell is August 26th. Any money raised will go toward individual fees and also toward our yearly budget. I will have the papers and more details about the fundraiser closer to time. If any parents/guardians would like to help with this fundraiser or any others, please contact me! I can use all the help I can get.

I'm excited to announce that we will be doing two shows this year! The first show will be performed at the Thespian One-Act Festival on September 29 through October 1st (we will find out the official performance date closer to time). Auditions for this show will be held the second week of school in my classroom. The other show will be performed on January 27th and 28th. Both shows will be determined soon, but will both be great! I highly recommend that everyone in my classes audition (you will get major bonus points!!)

I'm looking forward to this year! If you have any questions, please feel free to call, text or email me. Students, I'll see you August 15th!

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