

# THEATRE VICTORIA'S SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS

## STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

### Expectations of our Students

We strive every day to build character in our students, both on and off the stage, and want to deliver the very best learning experience for all of our students and young performers. We have the following expectations of them to make that possible.

#### Our Students will:

1. Show respect for others: Our students will respect the rights and feelings of the other participants. Fighting, bullying, name calling, intimidations, bigotry of any kind, inappropriate language or any other form of emotional or physical abuse or unwanted contact directed to one another, Directors or Volunteers will not be tolerated.
2. Maintain a Professional Focus: Our students are expected to pay attention to and follow the Directors so that they can get the most out of their time here. Disruptive, distracting or problematic behavior that affects this learning environment will not be tolerated. Students may not use cell phones or electronic games during classes, rehearsals, or performances. Cell phones must remain off during these periods.
3. Respect our Theatre: Participants will respect the theatre facilities, costumes, props, sets, and all other Theatre Victoria or Victoria College property. They will pick up after themselves and work to keep the theatre and class rooms clean.
4. Dangerous Items: Never use drugs, alcohol, or tobacco and none of these or weapons of any kind are permitted at the theatre.
5. Displays of Affection: Not engage in inappropriate public displays of affection. Our students and performers are expected to act as professionals on and off the stage at Theatre Victoria, and no unprofessional or suggestive conduct will be tolerated.
6. Always be On Time: Show up to rehearsals, classes and performances on-time and ready to get to work with all necessary props, costumes, notes or scripts.
7. Not Leave Unless Dismissed: Not leave the theatre during a class, show or rehearsal unless excused by a Director or when the Directors dismiss the group.
8. Dress Appropriately: Our students are expected to dress appropriately for all rehearsals and class instructions except where otherwise guided by the Director for a show's costume or for specific program activity. Items with provocative, offensive, violent or drug related pictures or slogans will not be permitted. Items advertising alcoholic beverages or tobacco products will not be permitted. Appropriate foot wear is expected at all times. No sandals, flip flops, boots, bare feet, will be allowed. Students should wear suitable shoes for movement such as jazz shoes or trainers.
9. Never Discriminate: Discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, disability, or on any other basis prohibited by law, is never allowed.
10. Abide by the Three Strike Rule: Students breaking any of the code of conduct rules will have the following disciplinary actions. The first instance: student will be given a verbal warning by the Director. The second instance: student will be given a verbal warning, and parent/guardian will be contacted. Third instance: student will be dismissed permanently from the class, show, company, or rehearsal.
11. Any student who believes that he or she has observed or has experienced prohibited behaviors should report these immediately to an instructor.
12. Junior Company Members Only: Complete 20 Service hours. Service hours can be obtained by ushering Theatre Victoria productions, helping with production work days, or with a theatre event through your school or another community theatre.

## Theatre Victoria/Student/Home Agreement

### Theatre Victoria will:

- Create an atmosphere and environment that will encourage the highest artistic standards to be achieved and maintained.
- Highlight the importance of promoting and establishing a team spirit with its incumbent freedoms and responsibilities.
- Provide a firm foundation for the creativity and fun which characterizes all Theatre Victoria productions and activities

### The Student will:

- Do my best at all times
- Learn my lines and lyrics by the date set
- Have good behavior in line with the Code of Conduct
- Dress Appropriately in line with the Code of Conduct
- Respect other people and their property and environments
- Ensure prompt and regular attendance at classes, rehearsals and performances
- Have fun and help others to have fun
- Junior Company Only: Complete my 20 Community Service hours by the deadline

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### The Family will:

- Pay all fees promptly and complete, sign and return by the following week all relevant forms (contact details, medical, travel permission slips, standing order, code of conduct). Inform Theatre Victoria immediately if there are any changes to any of these.
- See that our child arrives at classes, rehearsals and performances on time and that suitable arrangements are made for their collection on time.
- Inform Theatre Victoria as soon as possible if our child is going to be absent from any event.
- Let Theatre Victoria know promptly about any concerns or problems that might affect our child's behavior/work.
- Ensure that our child is dressed appropriately according to the dress code and has any required equipment for the day.
- Support my child in learning lines and any other activity.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_