# A.C.T. Theatre Company Southeast Raleigh Magnet High School

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#### What is A.C.T. Theatre?

A.C.T. Theatre seeks to build a program of excellence modeled on professional theatrical practice in order to build people of *integrity* and *intelligence* who are artists of *courage* and *compassion*.

#### A.C.T. Values Statement

Acellerate: Constant Pursuit of Excellence through Student Leadership

Collaborate: Learn to Harness the Power of Teamwork

Think: Propel Ourselves and Our Audience to Grow as a result of thoughtful, entertaining theatre

The center of theatre life at SRMHS is A.C.T. Theatre Company which mimics the practice of a professional theatre company by allowing students to take real life leadership roles including actor, stage manager, assistant director, technical director, etc.

### How can I take part?

You can audition for a production or apply to fulfill one of the A.C.T. Theatre Leadership Positions even without being in a class. Auditions are held the first week of each semester. The Tech Theatre Club meets each Wednesday from 4 to 6 PM to work on construction, lighting, etc.

# What classes are offered?

Theatre I – Basic introduction to all major performance areas (acting, voice, mime, etc.) designed for the curious student; final showcase featuring student written work

Theatre II – Advanced study of areas studied in Theatre I; final project in site specific, devised theatre Theatre III/IV – Honors Level course designed for the serious theatre student; major projects in audition technique and play analysis; final project of student work such as one act plays Tech Theatre I – A basic introduction to all design areas (scenic, lighting, make-up, costume, etc.) Tech Theatre II – Advanced study of all design areas and expectation of taking a leading role in school productions (designer, stage manager, etc.)

## What types of productions are offered?

SRMHS offers a full season of FOUR shows for students to participate in throughout the year. Each fall we mount a classical play such as Shakespeare and our annual production of *A Christmas Carol*. In the spring, we produce a large scale musical (*Into the Woods*—Spring '16) and a smaller spring play that is often an American classic (*Eurydice*—Spring '16).

#### Who leads this company?

YOU DO!! Working in careful collaboration with Mr. Roberts, you will have the valuable opportunity to work in a hands-on environment where you shape the vision and direction of the company. Zachary Roberts is the company's Artistic Director as well as instructor for all theatre classes. Mr. Roberts holds a B.A. in Theatre from Campbell University, a B.F.A. in Theatre Education from East Carolina University, and a M.F.A. in Directing from Western Illinois University. He has worked professionally as a director, actor, casting director, and stage manager in Raleigh and Chicago.