



## Drama Audition Requirements Current Grade 8 Students 2023-2024

**Audition Format:** in person audition at  
Eastwood Collegiate 760 Weber St. East Kitchener, Ontario\*

\*If you require a virtual audition for any reason, please contact the [Arts Registrar](#)

### Prepare ahead of time:

- [Monologue for performance \(recommended\)](#)

OR

[Poem for performance \(alternate option\)](#)

- If you choose to write your own poem, send it to the [Arts Registrar](#) by Monday January 27, 2023 or bring two copies with you to your audition.

### How to Practise

- Memorize your monologue or poem
- Choose a piece you feel is most suited to your strengths as a performer
- Do NOT use an accent
- Do NOT bring costumes or props
- Understand every word and every sentence. Be able to say the monologue and poem in your own words.
- Place the scene in an exact physical location of your choice and establish the setting in your performance
- Create and develop as much as you can about the character (age, occupation, social status, state of health, family, etc.) from the monologue or poem. Use your imagination as well.
- Think about how you want to deliver your monologue or poem (pacing, timing and rhythm) and what gestures and physicality you need to add to make it an engaging performance.
- Relax and have fun! Drama is fun!

### The Audition

#### **1. Drama Class**

You will take part in a drama class with approximately 6 other students. During the class, you will do warm up exercises, improvisation, and group discussion. It is very important that Drama Majors at Eastwood have the interpersonal skills necessary to work in a *company*. The audition panel will be looking for those skills during your audition.

#### **2. Presentation of a Monologue or a Poem.**

[Read through the Drama Monologues/Poems package](#) and choose EITHER a monologue OR poem to present during the Drama class. If you wish, you may write your own original poem of approximately 2 minutes in length to perform. You may NOT write your own Monologue. Monologues must be chosen from the list provided.

If you choose to write your own poem, please send it to the [Arts Registrar](#) by Monday January 27, 2023 or bring 2 printed copies with you on the day of your audition.

*For some of you the cultural experiences of the characters in the collection will be unfamiliar. When considering a monologue or poem for performance, you should avoid depicting characters or appropriating voices from a culture that is not your own.*

*All Presentation must be appropriate for a school environment*