Overview:
Fundamentals of Theatre is the second course in the comprehensive theatre program at Loiederman Magnet Middle School. National and State standards for theatre as well as State standards for reading and language arts have been incorporated into the curriculum.

Enduring Understandings:
- In order to become an effective actor it is essential to apply the dramatic elements of theatre.
- In a theatrical production, technical elements such as lights, sounds, costumes, and sets assist with setting the tone for the play.
- Personal and societal conflicts, relationships, and events are expressed through dramatic forms and texts.

Standards and Indicators:
Fundamentals of theatre is divided into four units of instruction with the following Montgomery County Standards:
- Unit 1 – Perceiving, performing and responding
- Unit 2 – Historical, Cultural, and Social Context
- Unit 3 – Creative expression and Production
- Unit 4 – Aesthetic Criticism

Grading:
- Homework: 5%
- Formative Assessments – checks for understanding during the course of a unit of study. If a student is not satisfied with a grade for a formative assessment, they may sign up for re-teaching and re-take it. Formative Assessments are 65% of the grade.
- Summative Assessment – measures understanding at the conclusion of a unit of study. Summative assessment grades are final and may not be retaken. Formative Assessments are 35% of the grade.