

WHY SHOULD
YOU JOIN
THEATER???



WHAT IS

THEATER??

Theater is a performing art that combines acting, dancing, singing and other skills to present a story in musical or play form. It has been around since the Ancient Greek time period, when Thespis became the first official actor. Theater is a collective artform where you learn valuable skills not only on stage but off stage as well.





THEATER @ GLADEWATER HIGH SCHOOL



Gladewater High School,
offers two theater
classes, Theater Arts and
Theater Production,
along with producing
TWO shows a year!



The Theater Arts class is the entry level
theater class, it is your building blocks of
what theater is all about.



Theater Production is like an advanced
level theater class. To get into this class
you have to have taken Theater Arts.



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In the fall we do a fall show; this will either be a play or musical. We alternate each year.



In the spring we participate in UIL One Act Play



Both productions have rehearsals after school.

We meet usually from 4:10pm till 6/6:30pm 4 days a week, with some Saturday rehearsals.

Fall Semester

Each fall semester the GHS theater department puts on a show which is either a play or a musical. Each year we alternate with either a play or a musical.

Past production include *"Disney's Aladdin Jr, Much Ado About Nothing, Twelfth Night, The Wizard of Oz, Schoolhouse Rock Live Jr., and Disney's Alice In Wonderland Jr."*, *The Wind In the Willows* and *'Settin' on the Woodbine'* an original play with musical numbers, which is a story about the founding of Gladewater.





Spring Semester: OAP

Each spring, the theater department participates in the UIL One Act Play Competition. For OAP you have a show that is cut to perform in under 40 minutes or you are disqualified. Some shows include *"And they Dance Real Slow in Jackson"*, *"We are the Sea"*, *"The Runner Stumbles"*, *"Digging up the boys"*, and *"The Boy who Stole the Stars"*. In 2025, we advanced to *Bi-District* and brought back several awards.



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- **Teamwork and cooperative learning**
- **Self Confidence**
- **Creativity and expressions of ideas**
- **Listening and speaking skills**
- **Community/Sense of belonging**
- **Social Skills**
- **Time management Skills**
- **Leadership Skills**
- **Dedication**
- **Adaptability and flexibility**
- **Increased Academic Performance**
- **Self-Discipline**
- **Motivation**
- **Collaboration**
- **Problem Solving Skills**
- **Independent working skills**
- **Initiative**
- **Respect for others, people and things**
- **Acceptance of disappointment and ability to bounce back**

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Confidence Building

- Participating in high school theater helps students develop confidence by improving their public speaking skills and learning how to be more comfortable when speaking or performing in front of an audience

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Teamwork Development


- High School Theater offers students the opportunity to work with their peers towards a common goal, teaching them how to communicate effectively and work as a part of a team!

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Creativity Enhancement

- High School Theater encourages creativity and imagination as students are challenged to interpret and perform different characters and scenarios, developing their problem solving and critical thinking skills.

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**For more information talk to Miss
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