# Drama @ TDChristian 2019-20

TDChristian has an extensive Drama program overseen and led by Mr. Peters that produces a constant buzz of activity throughout the year. Here is a sampling of what's on the program for this year.

# Shrek the Musical: Mainstage Production

**Shrek** is based on the tale of a large, green ogre who finds out about himself and others as he takes on a quest. Experience his journey See the work of Show Period students when they perform a musical based on this wonderful story. TDChristian will host shows on Nov. 28 and 29 at 7 p.m., as well as a Dinner Theatre and Silent Auction on Nov. 30 at 6 p.m. Students who are interested in being part of the production as an extracurricular activity should talk to or email Mr. Peters (peters@tdchristian.ca).

### The Black Box

Make sure to visit one of the best classrooms in the school. Simultaneously intimate and spacious, it can hold a class of 34 or an audience of over 100. This room is equipped with lighting, sound, and a growing costume and properties room for tech and design students to learn their trades. It is also where our Grade 9 students take Drama.

#### Grade 9 Drama

Every Grade 9 student at TDChristian takes a half-credit in Drama to study improvisation. While few graduates pursue careers as professional improvisers, the skills learned, the confidence built, and the composure under pressure experienced serve students throughout their lives. Besides that, Grade 9 Drama is a lot of fun!

# **Lunchtime Improv**

On many Wednesdays and Fridays our Improv Games teams perform live improvised comedy in the Black Box! Students can bring their lunches and watch as our improvisers hone their talents and skills.

# **Canadian Improv Games**

Our first seven years entering a team into the Canadian Improv Games have resulted in tremendous learning and some excellent placements in the Toronto Regionals, including two 1<sup>st</sup> place finishes, and at 6<sup>th</sup> place finish in the Nationals held in Ottawa. Students who are part of the Improv team can earn a half-credit in Improvisation.

#### **Drama Production**

We offer opportunities for students to explore dramatic conventions and techniques specifically connected to drama production. Students assume responsibility for decisions made in the creative and collaborative processes, specifically related to the production of the school's shows. In previous years, students have earned a half-credit for their work behind the scenes. Students who are interested in drama production, for fun or for credit, should talk to Mr. Peters or email him at <a href="mailto:peters@tdchristian.ca">peters@tdchristian.ca</a>.

### **Alumni Show**

Every other year, TDChristian alumni return to the school to practice and perform a spring show. Our hope is to perform next spring in the new Project 20/20 Presentation Centre. Watch for announcements of the show and show times. Students or community members who have ideas or questions should contact or email Mr. Peters.

#### **Parent/Guardian Volunteers**

Know about putting on a show, interested in painting, building sets, sewing costumes, finding props, or helping out in some other way? Contact Drama teacher Richard Peters at <a href="mailto:peters@tdchristian.ca">peters@tdchristian.ca</a> if there is a need you can fill or a "role" that you can play in Drama @ TDChristian.