 **South Paulding High School **

**Dramatic Writing for Film, Television, and Stage**

**Course Syllabus**

**\*NOTE: This syllabus is subject to change without prior notice\***

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**Course description and objectives:**

Dramatic Writing (Film, Television, and Theatre I) –Applies skills to culminate in creating and developing dramatic writing for theatrical media with special emphasis on film and television. Includes development of “writerly stance” by reading, viewing, and analyzing tests and visual media from a writer’s point of view, with focus on understanding the construction process and including the application of conventions of standard English grammar and usage. (You may access the specific standards and objectives of this course at http://www.georgiastandards.org).

**Texts:**

Provided texts will include *Blood Don’t Lie* by Dr. Aaron Levy as well as assorted excerpts from various plays, television episodes, and movie clips.

**Suggested Materials:**

Small (1inch-ish) binder with five dividers, loose-leaf paper (wide-ruled preferred), Pen and/or pencil, and a snazzy (or not!) journal

**Grading: Late Work will be penalized 10 points PER DAY LATE and *will not be accepted* after two weeks from due date. This is the SPHS English Department policy. Recovery Policy (Summatives): It is your responsibility to see me regarding POTENTIAL recovery, and this must be done within two weeks of the summative assessment or the original grade will remain.**

**Formative Grades** (Classwork, quizzes, etc.):29%

**Summative Grades** (Tests, papers, etc.): 71%

**Academic Honesty:**

Academic dishonesty, including plagiarism, cheating, and fabrication, will not be tolerated. If outside sources are ever used, **you must give an appropriate citation using MLA style**. Academic dishonesty will result in a 0 on the assignment and a discipline referral. A make-up assignment may be considered, with a score of 50 being the highest grade possible.