

Holland Patent Elementary School Drama Club Project Description

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The Process Before the Production.

I've decided to do a play about Native Americans. The objective of the play is to educate and entertain the students with lessons taught from Native American legends.

Research

First, I read a number of legends to ascertain which legends have the best lessons as well as imagining which legend the children will be able to act out on a small stage.

These are the tales I've decided to use:

- Soot Face/Rough faced Girl/ Scar Face - all Cinderella stories from different tribes.

The Story of the Drum

Song/poem of the Dream Chasers

Turtle's Race with Bear

Chief Seattle's speech to the American Gov't in 1854

Now I will write a play that weaves all of these tales together.

Auditions

All interested 5th grade students will recite for me the first five sentences of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. From this audition I will see how well they memorize, if they speak loud, and their dramatic flair.

(See videos)

First Meeting//Assigning Parts

I will read the stories to them to familiarize them with the legends.

Major parts will be assigned based on auditions.

Second Meeting

Read the script

Costumes -

Props -

Dancing -

Rehearsals -

Dress rehearsal -

Production -