

# the unscripted project HOUSE TEAM

*Afterschool Improvisational Theater Program*

## A COMPREHENSIVE IMPROV THEATER-BASED PROGRAM

**Do you love improv? theater? comedy? Join the House Team!**

Welcome to the The Unscripted Project House Team! A free, community-based after-school program for young people to build critical life skills like speaking confidently and developing creativity and spontaneity through improvisational theater-based training. In a collaborative and laughter-filled environment, students are trained in improvisational theater with additional support for college and career mentoring, performance opportunities and arts-based field trips in Philadelphia.



## PROGRAM INFORMATION

**Who:** Any high school student (9-11th grade) in Philadelphia - Priority will be given to students who have completed Unscripted's in-school program

**When:** Tuesdays, Feb 6th to May 28th (students can continue in Fall 2024)

**Time:** 3.30 - 6pm ET

**Where:** ComedySportz Philadelphia (2030 Sansom St, Philadelphia)

**Program Cost:** \$25 registration fee (program is free of charge)

**Requirements:** Weekly attendance and performance at the end of the semester will be mandatory to participate in the program



## WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN OUR PROGRAM?

✦ **Boost confidence and communication skills:** Build your confidence on stage in a low-stakes environment - and develop skills to interview for jobs, present your group project, and navigate everyday life

✦ **High-quality improv training:** Our teaching artists are professional improvisors and comedians, and will show you the ropes. There will be snacks, external speakers, field trip opportunities along the way - and a final performance opportunity to showcase your work

✦ **Make new friends:** Our House Team is made up of students from all across Philly - expand your circles and meet new like-minded friends!

✦ **De-stress:** Invest in yourself and time to be creative in a low-stakes way, take a second from all of the academic and other pressures of high school!

## HOW TO APPLY

- **Due Weds, Jan 10:** Students complete a **short application** form to demonstrate interest
- **Weds, Jan 17:** Students are notified of acceptance to the program
- **Tues, Jan 30:** Permission slips and registration fee due
- **Tues, Feb 6:** First day of class!



<http://tiny.cc/unscripted-house-team-app>

## WHAT IS THE UNSCRIPTED PROJECT?

Unscripted Project is an award-winning 501(c)3 nonprofit organization based in Philly with the mission of empowering young people to develop critical life skills like speaking confidently, collaborating effectively, and growing from mistakes all through the power of improvisational theater.

We're an official partner for the Philadelphia School District, and our core programming is a 10-week workshop series which takes place during the school day at Philly public middle and high schools - we've worked with over 2000 students to date. We've also been featured for our work on the Philadelphia Citizen, WHYY, and CBS Mornings. You can learn more on [www.unscriptedproject.org](http://www.unscriptedproject.org)

## WHAT IS IMPROV?

Improvisational theater (or improv) is a form of theater in which everything is completely unscripted. Students come as they are and work together to create stories from nothing. No acting or improv experience is required or expected (and, your students who might otherwise not sign up for theater may just end up enjoying and benefiting from it the most!)

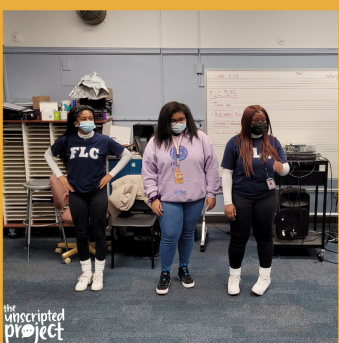
Techniques from improv are used by businesspeople, teachers, lawyers, and doctors - because the research shows that it is linked to higher levels of **confidence**, better **communication**, and more **resiliency**.

## "I LEARNED HOW TO THINK OUTSIDE OF THE BOX AND BE PREPARED FOR ANYTHING THROWN AT ME"

*-Unscripted Student, 9th grade*

### OUR 22-23 SCHOOL YEAR

**13** schools | **36** classrooms | **786** students  
**400+** hours of improv



### OUR IMPACT

**79%** of students feel they can better understand their emotions and the emotions of others

**80%** of students feel they became better communicators

**67%** of students demonstrated increases in social self-efficacy

**77%** of students feel more confident participating in class

**81%** of students feel more comfortable with their peers in class

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