



MISSION STATEMENT

Delaware Theatre Company's Delaware Young Playwrights Festival provides students with an authentic audience for their creative writing and teachers with an innovative literacy program. Guided by passion and professionalism, DYPF uses classroom workshops, personal feedback to every playwright, and public performances to engage students in the art of theatre through the act of writing a play. Both competitive and cooperative, DYPF fosters, respects, and celebrates the voices of young writers.

CORE VALUES

DYPF treats every student with respect and maturity, recognizing they have a story worth telling.

Passion and professionalism are the hallmarks of the DYPF staff. We have a passion for telling student stories and will support their efforts with the best practices of our profession.

DYPF artists are supportive. Writing a play is hard work – it's our job to encourage students on their way and give them the courage to express their deepest feelings.

We believe that theatre is an important avenue for sharing the stories of our community.

VISION

DYPF aims to become the venue in Delaware where students know their stories count and are clamoring to have their stories told on our stage. Students would be pushing their parents to take them to plays at DTC because they know theatre is the place to hear important stories being told. Our state would listen carefully to student voices. Delaware schools would recognize arts education as vital. Every artist involved in DYPF would be a practicing theatre professional and our staff would be thrilled to support the artists and playwrights in an efficient, productive manner. DYPF would have the infrastructure to support however many students from throughout the state would like to write plays.

DYPF - giving every Delaware teen a chance to be heard!