

High School Musical

April 1, 2015

Dear Parents and Students,

Congratulations on your decision to join the cast of High School Musical! The attendance at the first meeting was overwhelming- almost 80 kids! We are going to have a spectacular show, and your enthusiasm is going to create such magic on the stage on opening night!

We greatly appreciate you taking the time to carefully review all of this information with your child. We know that this may be time consuming, but it is necessary to get this show on the road! *****Please continue to check the Friday notes on a weekly basis for schedules and informational letters.**

******Students Interested in Stage Crew-** Please know that we encourage you to audition, but if you decide that you don't want to be on stage, that's ok too- you can be on stage crew! If you are solely interested in stage crew, you do NOT need to attend auditions. Fifth Graders interested in Stage Crew will be receiving information from our Stage Manager, Mrs. Danielski in a few weeks.

There are several documents that you need to review before coming to auditions. (Attached in Friday Notes)

- 1) **Schedule for Week of 4/13 (Audition Week)-** This details the schedule for audition week as well as provides information about the **participation fee.**
- 2) **Audition Form-** Please carefully fill this out with your child and make sure that he/she brings it to auditions on Tuesday 4/14. **DO NOT hand it in to your teacher and/or the main office. Please attach a recent photograph of your child to the audition form.** (This is very helpful with the casting process.) **Students must have the audition form with the attached photo in their backpack at auditions.** The information on this form is crucial, as it affects the casting process. We understand that the kids have other commitments and we will do our best to accommodate that. We want to make sure that everyone has an opportunity to be in the spotlight! If your child is unable to commit to 3 days per week, he/she should not accept a major role. Students that are unable to commit to 3 days per week will be able to be in the ensemble where they will most certainly be featured and have a great time performing with their friends.
- 3) **Audition Letter-** This letter explains the audition process as well as when the kids will find out the role that they received. Also, it lists the audition song choices as well as youtube links for students to practice with. Students should choose ONE song from this packet as their audition song.
- 4) **List of Characters-** This is the detailed list of characters in the show. This will help students decide which role they are interested in. Please note that if a child is interested in a particular role and doesn't end up being cast as that role, he/she will still be included the cast. Everyone who auditions will be on that stage!

Thank you again for reviewing all of this information, and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. (631) 367-8800. You may also leave a written note for us in our mailbox located in the main office.

Sincerely,
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