

Audition Tips for a Play

What we are looking for:

- *Actors that exhibit confidence with their vocal and movement choices.
- *Actors that can articulate, and project their voices.
- *Actors that will listen to, and follow directions.
- *Actors that can remain focused and work well with the group.

How to Audition:

- *Please arrive at least 10 minutes before your scheduled time to settle and get prepared.
- *Actors need to be prepared to present some lines “sides” from the script. You may be asked to show us how you move.
- *Once the actor enters the audition room, they need to tell us their name, what character they are presenting, and then begin.

For Example:

- *I will be performing the role of “_____” (then they will recite or read their lines)
- *At that point the director will give them some suggestions of a different way to present their lines and ask them to present them again. Perhaps they will be asked to be louder, or to perform with more emotion, or a different emotion. This is how the director can tell how comfortable they feel with taking direction and adjusting their performance.
- *Parents are not allowed to come into the audition area.
- *Please assure them that we WANT them to succeed. We understand that they will be nervous. It is hard to audition. If they forget a part or need to start over that is perfectly fine.
- *Please, wait patiently, even though we have time slots, you will need to be prepared to wait. We will audition the actors in the order that they are signed up. We will do our best to keep everything on time, but just in case, be patient.
- *Not everyone who auditions will be able to be in the play, even if you have been in a play before. Not everyone who is in the play will have lead roles. Everyone who even tries is a hero to us, it is scary to audition, and we are proud of all of the kids! Don't get discouraged if you don't make it, or get the role you want. Even famous actors don't get every role they audition for ☺ Just keep on trying. Get involved in theater however you can. There are no small roles to us, even if your child doesn't have a large speaking part, they will be performing, with their own unique character, personality, and character name. We need everyone to help tell this story.

The best thing you can do to help your child prepare is to help them relax, and have fun.

Break a Leg!