

WELCOME

The Acting Up musical theater program is designed for elementary school students grades 1-4. (Kindergarteners are sometimes admitted on a case by case basis). Our mission is to provide children with a creative outlet, prepare youth for real life performance experiences, and produce quality musical theater experiences.



WAVERLY BELMONT PROGRAM

What a fun time we had at Waverly Belmont last school year! We hope you saw our production of Winnie the Pooh with our young, brilliant performers! We are excited to announce that we will continue offering our program at Waverly Belmont this year (contingent upon audition signups).

Acting Up is an after-school program that brings professional musical theatre training directly to students, making it convenient for families to participate. Musical theatre is a form of theatrical performance that combines songs, spoken dialogue, acting, and dance. This program can accommodate up to 40 students and requires an audition for entry into the program. Students will meet each week with professional teaching artists, who will teach from basic to advance skills of musical theater and will culminate the year with a week of performances.

OUR FOCUS

Each student will receive approximately 28 weeks of stellar musical theater training with professional teaching artists. Throughout the program, students will be working towards putting on a full musical theatre production in May. Students will experience a real-life performance with professional sound, lights, costumes, props, sets, and more. They will have the opportunity to perform in multiple performances. Students will also receive one free headshot session as well as an 8x10 copy of the headshot used in the playbill.

SCHEDULE

- First semester meetings-
 - Tuesdays 3:00-4:30
 - Second semester meetings-
 - Tuesdays 3:00-5:00
 - Occasionally, there will be extended rehearsals ending at 5:30pm.
 - Tech week rehearsals end at 5:30pm.
- *Calendar will be given out at our first parent meeting.

THE AUDITION

The audition process is very child friendly. We just want to see what your child already knows and how comfortable he/she is taking direction and presenting in front of a small panel of teaching artists.

Students who audition must complete all 3 parts of the audition:

- **Sing** Twinkle Twinkle Little Star, Happy Birthday, or an a cappella song of choice
- **Learn and dance** a 16-count combination of basic choreography
- **Read and perform** a short dramatic line that will be supplied at the audition

Auditions are scheduled Tuesday, August 30th at 3:15 PM

Fill out the form below and return to music room. Please be sure to give a valid email address on the form below. **A PARENT OR ADULT MUST BE PRESENT WITH YOUR CHILD AT AUDITIONS!**

PARENT ORIENTATION

If your child is selected to participate in Acting Up, a mandatory parent orientation will be held September 6th at 6pm.

TUITION

Acting Up is a yearlong program that runs on a school year cycle and requires a full year commitment. The cost for the entire program is \$1080. We have 3 payment plans to offer options for your convenience.

* monthly rate of \$120, due the 1st of each month; September payment due at first parent meeting

* by semester- 2 payments of \$540; first payment due at parent meeting

* yearly- \$1080; due at parent meeting

* This fee covers all production materials and needs associated with the program including scripts, scores, set, props, most costume pieces, lighting, sound, teaching artists, production technicians, and the list goes on and on! The first tuition payment will be due at parent orientation.

FINANCIAL AID

Acting Up offers a fundraising opportunity for families who desire to participate in the program and need some assistance with the tuition costs. Please indicate on the audition form if you will need to take advantage of the fundraising option in order to cover tuition costs.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Complete and submit Audition Registration Form (return to Mrs. Walle in the music classroom)
- Check email for your audition date (if you have not received your audition date by August 9th at 5pm, please email acting_up@yahoo.com or call 615-225-7411)
- Attend audition and wait for follow-up email

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ACTING UP AUDITION FORM 2016

Please complete the following *Audition Registration Form* and turn in to Mrs. Walle in the music classroom.
ALL AUDITION FORMS MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, AUGUST 26th AT 3:15 PM.

***Failure to return the audition form by the deadline may exclude your child from auditioning for the program this year.**

Student Name: _____ Grade _____ Homeroom Teacher: _____

Parent(s) Name: _____

Email Address: _____ Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ Alternative Phone: _____

_____ Please check if you will need to take advantage of the fundraising option to help cover tuition costs.

PLEASE WRITE IN THE OPEN SPACE BELOW IF YOU HAVE A CONFLICT WITH THE SCHEDULED AUDITION DATE, BUT WISH TO AUDITION. SOMEONE FROM OUR TEAM WILL CONTACT YOU!