

ECMS Theatre Troupe 2009-2010
Welcome to ECMS Theatre Troupe!
We are excited about our next production.

EXPECTATIONS: TIME COMMITMENTS

- **School comes first.** All students must be .students in good standing to participate in Theatre Troupe.
- Students are expected to attend rehearsal, be prompt, and attentive. Inappropriate, disruptive behavior may result in expulsion from the production. All significant disciplinary issues are referred to the housemasters or principle.
- Theatre Troupe is a significant time commitment, particularly during the last month of production. If you have other commitments, and academic pressures that prohibit your full participation, **do not audition.**
- If you cannot commit in December to the production dates, the all day rehearsals and last weeks of rehearsal, do not audition. These rehearsals are required.
- This is a family commitment. Parents must be available to bring children home from rehearsal. Parent volunteers are also integral to the smooth running of the production. You will be expected to help in some way.
- Communications: Be certain that your email address is current. The primary mechanism of communication will be via email. All pertinent documents are posted on the website. Please check the email/webpage often as important messages will be distributed in this manner.

ANTICIPATED/POSSIBLE COSTS

- All students must submit the \$50 school activity fee. This will be collected at the parent meeting after casting. Permission slips will be collected then as well.
- Families will be expected to supply elements of their children.s costumes. Shoes, stockings, simple pants/shirts/skirts/shawls, etc are generally the responsibility of each family. Special items will be rented/borrowed by the costume committee.
- Families will purchase tickets for the performances via advance sales.
- A DVD is usually available for purchase if desired. The purchase price is calculated to defray the cost of producing the DVD. (usually about \$15-20)
- There may be low cost fund raising such as .program well wishers, flower sales, message grams on performance nights, photograph purchases, bake sale purchases and the like. These are completely voluntary.
- Parents may be asked to consider donating food items for bake sales, a cast party (after the last performance) and for backstage snacks.
- At times, monies are collected for flowers. Again this is voluntary.
- T shirts are given to the students at the dress rehearsal. This is a memento; there is no associated cost.

OTHER:

- Families will receive a list of needed props. Any loans will be appreciated.
- If students are on the crew, they must attend the crew build weekend dates. One parent or supervisory adult must accompany the child.

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS:

Students will sign up to auditions outside the auditorium on his/her chosen day. The students audition in groups and remain for the entirety of the process serving as the audience for their fellow students.

Students will be asked to perform a brief dance routine that will be taught at auditions. They will also sing a part of song that they will learn at auditions and students will read a scene or a portion of a scene.

Students should wear comfortable clothing and shoes (not flip flops).

Other than bringing their completed auditions forms (available on this website) and a good attitude, no other preparation is required.

CALL BACKS:

Only students being considered for specific roles will be asked to attend call backs.

Many students will be in the show (i.e. chorus/smaller speaking roles) but not listed on the call back list.

For call backs students may be asked to sing a particular song or portion of a song from the show and be asked to read for particular parts.

The cast list will be posted the following day after it has been reviewed by the principal and housemasters. Usually this occurs at about 5pm.

CREW:

Students interested solely in crew and those not cast but wishing to be part of crew will meet with the directors for interviews the week after auditions. Completed audition forms should be brought to these meetings. please remember that apparent signature is required on these forms.