

January 24, 2024

Dear Musical Walgrovers,

Thank you for your participation in Monday's musical theater rehearsal! As you may have noticed, approximately 60 students in grades 2-5 auditioned last Wednesday through Friday. Approximately 63 students in grades 1-5 came to rehearsal Monday (7 or 8 students were absent).

Because Ms. Debralee wants more time with all kiddos involved, today's rehearsal will involve theater games and exercises and, if time, reading aloud certain sections of the script. All this will be intended to provide students with the opportunity to exercise their theatrical muscles and show off their ability to **actively listen, participate with energy, and demonstrate community spirit.**

Because there are still a few roles to fill **AND** Ms. Debralee may double-up on some of the secondary roles, we ask that all students who want to participate in the production attend today's rehearsal and give it their all.

When and if you are ever disappointed about not getting a role you thought you were perfect for, remember that somebody else is super excited about the opportunity to perform that role (so please be a kind and generous friend) and every rehearsal and every performance is an audition for a role (or roles) that becomes available in case of unexpected absences, illnesses or emergencies **AND** for all future roles. Theater is (hopefully) something you engage in for life. You build a community of friends with whom you grow and learn. Support for one another and for the collective is paramount.

Thank you for your generous and loving thespian spirit!

Ms. Debralee looks forward to seeing you today from 2:32-4:30 (snack from 2:32-2:45).

Parents are asked to remain outside the auditorium for today's rehearsal so Ms. Debralee can super-duper get down to business.

Thank you, and may your days be filled with chocolate rivers and actual-candy wallpaper.

Dr. K