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WELCOME to *Shrek the Musical JR* presented by Heidelberg's CMS Youth Musical Theatre Program. We are so very excited to work with your child. Below you will find additional program information.

Program Details

- Rehearsals take place on Sundays (1:30-4:30pm) beginning on January 18, 2026.
- Dress Rehearsals will be Saturday, March 7th and Sunday, March 8th. Dress rehearsals are mandatory, without exceptions.
- Performances are Saturday, March 14th and Sunday, March 15th. All cast members perform both days.
- Every registered child is cast in the production. There is a place for everyone in the show!

Participation Fee

- The Participation Fee for the program is $150 per child.
- Fees are due on January 18th at the Parent/Guardian Meeting and Auditions. The Participation Fee is non-refundable after 1:30pm on January 18, 2026.Payment can be received in the following ways.
    - Check or Cash received at check-in on January 18th.
        - Please make checks out to Heidelberg Community Music School with Shrek the Musical JR/Participant Name in the Subject line.
    - Check or Cash mailed to Music Main Office with a postmark prior to January 18th.
        - Please make checks out to Heidelberg Community Music School with Shrek the Musical JR/Participant Name in the Subject line.
        - Mail to: Heidelberg University
          % Carol Dusdieker/Shrek the Musical JR
          310 E. Market St
          Tiffin, OH 44883
    - Online Credit Card Payment via Secure Marketplace portal. Online Payments need to be submitted by midnight on Saturday, January 17th. Youth Musical Theatre Program
    - Scholarship assistance is available for families who qualify. Please contact Carol Dusdieker for more information (cdusdiek@heidelberg.edu or 812-322-1754)

Required Paperwork

- All program participants are required to complete a Liability Waiver, Emergency Medical Waiver, Consent of Treatment and Photo Release. Links to the forms are available below. Paper copies of the forms will also be available at the opening meeting.
    - Link to Required Paperwork

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

When are Auditions? Do we need to prepare anything?

- Auditions take place during the first rehearsal (1/18) after a brief informational meeting. No prior preparation is required. Participants will spend time learning their audition materials prior to being put into small groups according to age. We are interested in measuring their singing/acting skills and their ability to learn a new song or lines. Roles will be announced at rehearsal the second weekend.

Where do rehearsals take place?

- All rehearsals take place on the Heidelberg University campus. Rehearsals through February 8, 2025 will take place in the Brenneman Music Building (263 E. Perry Street, Tiffin, OH 44883.) The remaining rehearsals (2/15/25 through performances) will take place in Founders Hall and Gundlach Theatre. Follow this link to a campus map.

What are the attendance expectations?

- Rehearsals meet from 1:30 to 4:30pm every Sunday. Attendance is expected at all rehearsals but we understand unavoidable absences may occur. Please notify us of any absences as soon as possible. Parents are expected to keep children who have signs of a serious illness home from rehearsal and refer to their healthcare provider prior to returning to rehearsals.
- Dress Rehearsals and Performances occur on March 7, 8, 14, 15 and attendance is mandatory.

As a parent/guardian, do I need to be present during rehearsals?

- No, you should plan to drop off children at 1:20pm and pick up at 4:30pm. On 1/19 only, parents/guardians will be asked to stay until 2:00pm for an informational meeting. They will then return at 4:30pm to pick up children.
- Volunteers may be asked to assist with set or costume building during rehearsal time.

What is included in the Registration Fee? Are there any other costs?

- The registration fee includes course costs, student's script/libretto, rehearsal recordings, a voucher for 2 performance tickets and a student's production T-shirt.
- Costumes are provided by the program. However, all cast members will provide a base costume that serves as a barrier between the skin and provided pieces. This allows for faster costume changes and serves hygienic purposes. You will be asked to provide specific elements of the base costume depending on your child's role (for example a black t-shirt, turtleneck or khaki pants.) Costume information will be provided after casting is completed.
- Professional cast and individual photos will be taken at dress rehearsal and will be available for purchase at that time. These are not required, only provided as an option.
- The registration fee is non-refundable after 1:30pm on January 18, 2026.

Where do I get tickets?

- Tickets go on sale on February 22 on EventBrite. Each cast member is provided two complimentary tickets via a promo code. Additional tickets are $10 adults/$8 student/seniors. Additional details about ticketing will be announced throughout the rehearsal process.

I have more questions. Who do I contact?

- Email Dr. Carol Dusdieker (cdusdiek@heidelberg.edu) with your questions. I am happy to help!