Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are so glad you have chosen to join us in the incredible journey of putting on a musical! It is a serious commitment that yields unforgettable rewards. Thank you for joining us! In order to produce a successful show, we are asking that parents commit their child to be present at all rehearsals, show promotions and performances. This is based on the simple philosophy if they're not present they can't rehearse or perform.

Even if you feel your child's part is "small", "easy" or "behind the scenes", I assure you it is an important one and they are a crucial element. We need everyone there!

In order to prevent downtime for our participants we have scheduled select group Monday rehearsals from 1-3pm and the week of Parent/Teacher conferences from 1-3pm. The selected groups will be posted on my website. We also schedule one to two Saturday rehearsals a month to review all material in sequence and combine with orffestra. *These are for ALL CAST unless otherwise specified*. Please be on time for pick up!!!

The month of January is crunch time! All of the moving parts have to come together with lighting, sound, sets, props, make up, costumes, special effects, etc. It takes dedication and time! It is extremely important that ALL participating students, including set design and orffestra, are present for the entire time. Students are to arrive early and will not be excused early. It takes everyone being present and doing their part!!

Parents are responsible for student transportation to all rehearsals and performances.

For all scheduled rehearsals and performances: <u>Outside interests will not be excused tardies or absences</u>. This includes, but is not limited to, piano lessons, voice lessons, team sports, gymnastics, other shows, dance lessons or recitals. Please *plan now* in anticipation for the upcoming rehearsal schedule and inform us of any known existing conflicts. <u>RSA includes our Spring Musical as an outside interest</u>.

I know being a part of this show is a big commitment. There will be days when we all feel it's just too much! But, I assure you, it is worth it. Your children will be learning life lessons that will help prepare them for high school, college and even career. They will be a part of something bigger than themselves. Among other things they will learn that they can face fears and conquer personal and collective challenges, not to mention an experience and memory of a lifetime! This is something they will be able to look back on for years to come and be proud of.

YOUR COMMITMENT and ENCOURAGEMENT IS KEY!!! It's something you will share together. It's so worth it!!!

You are so appreciated, and we thank you for your commitment and support. We couldn't do it without you!

Hillary Rogerson
Director

\*\*PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THE BOTTOM PORTION\*\*

I have reviewed the rehearsal schedule. By signing below, I am committing to notify the director of any conflicts before auditions that I am aware of and my child is to be present at all rehearsals and performances. I understand we need to plan accordingly so as to not affect my child's ability to participate.

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

STUDENT NAME (PLEASE PRINT) Student Signature Date

Please list date(s) if there are any conflicts with your schedule