

MVCCT Audition Information Sheet

ACTORS AND PARENTS: Please read this information **before** you complete the audition form.

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All Auditions/callbacks and performances are at:

BRYANT HIGH SCHOOL - 2709 Popkins Lane, Alexandria VA 22306
unless otherwise noted

Auditions: Monday September 9 and Tuesday September 10 at Bryant. Children ages 8-10 may sign up to audition from 5:30-7:00 PM on either day. Children ages 11-18 may sign up to audition from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. on either day. Your child will be asked to stay the entire time. Unfortunately, parents will not be allowed to watch. Children must be 8 years old by January 14 to be eligible to audition for this show. No exceptions will be made on this requirement.

Children should be prepared to sing **16 bars of a Broadway-type** song of their choice. An accompanist will be available and actors are encouraged to bring sheet music, though it is not mandatory. Those singing without an accompanist may be asked to sing a familiar song with the piano in addition to their song choice.

Please have children come to the audition with **a current photograph** (school pictures are fine) **and signed Parent Acknowledgement** (below). Please **arrive 15 minutes early** in order to sign in and allow us to begin on time for all auditions!

Callbacks: The callbacks will be held on Thursday, September 12 from 6:30-8:30 PM. All children auditioning must be available for the callback auditions. If needed, we will contact you; please **do not** call the office. If you are not called back, it does not mean you will not be cast!

Casting: Casting calls will be completed by 6:00 PM on Saturday, September 14. **Only those cast will receive a phone call.** Please do not call the office. All others who audition will receive an e-mail notifying them that the casting decisions have been made. E-mails will be sent once all of the calls have been made.

Rehearsals: Will be held Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM. MANDATORY Tech rehearsals will be 5:00 - 9:00 PM Monday thru Thursday from November 11 thru November 14. **NO EXCEPTIONS will be made for absences.** Cast members are expected to attend all rehearsals for which they are called, and to be on time and prepared unless ill. **Please note that three unexcused late arrivals or absences will result in re-casting.** *MVCCT expects that among those cast, this production will be their first priority after schoolwork.*

The first rehearsal will be held on **Monday September 16 from 6:30 - 8:30 PM.** There will be a **mandatory parent meeting on Tuesday, September 17 at 7:30 PM at Bryant.** A parent or guardian is required to attend this meeting.

Performances: November 15, 16, 22, 23 at 7PM and November 17, 24 at 3PM

Fees: MVCCT is a non-profit organization and private fundraising efforts and government grants cover only a portion of our expenses. There is a **participation fee** of \$250 for those cast, which is due at the parent meeting. Other incidental expenses to anticipate may include a set-build opt-out fee, possibly purchasing dance shoes, socks, and a cast party fee. **Need-based scholarships are available.**

Parents are expected to volunteer with both pre-production (costume collection/construction; set construction/painting; poster distribution, etc.) and in- production (helping backstage; makeup; cast party, etc.) activities. Without your valuable help, this show wouldn't happen. Don't fear – it's fun!! NEW OPTION - If neither parent is able to attend one of the set-build dates ***you may buy-out this requirement for \$75.*** This money will go towards hiring someone to help complete the set or to paying the school for extra build time. Please tell one of the producers at the parent meeting if you intend to use this option. Please note that this is completely separate from the show performance obligations, there is no buy-out option for those volunteer hours.

To ensure the best show possible, and to be fair to all who audition, please be sure you are you can commit to these guidelines.

Parent Acknowledgment

My son/daughter and I understand that MVCCT rehearsals need to have first priority, after schoolwork, for the time period **September 16 to November 22, 2019**.

If my son/daughter is cast, I understand there will be a participation fee of **\$250 per person**. I also understand that this fee is due at the parent meeting on **Thursday, September 19 at 7:30 pm** at Bryant Alternative High School - 2709 Popkins Lane, Alexandria, VA 22306.

I understand that MVCCT expects **parents to assist** in pre-production activities (costumes collection, set construction, etc.) and in-production activities (selling refreshments, makeup, cast party, etc.). These will be explained further at the parent meeting.

Parent signature _____

Actor name (please print) _____