

RISING STARS AUDITIONS Q & A

What do I need to prepare for auditions?

Actors should prepare a Broadway-style song to sing acapella.

Should I wear anything in particular?

Please wear clothes and shoes that are comfortable for movement.

What should I bring?

Please bring a list of conflicts that you have (from the date of auditions to the performance dates) to include on the actor information form. You also need to be able to list previous performance experiences.

Do I need a headshot and/or resume?

No, these are not required. If you have them and would like to attach them to your actor information form, you are welcome to.

What do I do when I get to auditions?

Go to the information table and someone there will give you a packet with instructions, an actor information form, and a number on a card paper-clipped to the front. Please fill out the form in complete detail and use the paperclip to attach the number card to your shirt. Once you have completed your form please turn it back in at the registration table.

You will be given a packet of script sides to read. Familiarize yourself with it - you will be given one of the parts at a later time. You DO NOT have to memorize any of it for the audition, just think about how you would want to read the different parts as you may be asked to read for any of them. Look over this as you wait for your number to be called.

What happens once my number is called?

- Once your number has been called, gather anything you need (music, scripts, etc.). Groups of 10 will go at a time.
- Your group will line up and have your pictures taken.
- You will then learn a simple dance step. They are looking to see if you have any dance experience and/or how quickly you pick up direction. Relax - we don't expect everyone to be a great dancer. Pay attention and have fun.
- You will move to another room to rehearse the script. You will be given a part from a scene (in script sides you received earlier) and you will have the opportunity to rehearse the scene several times as a group. Relax and have fun - be expressive and don't be afraid to move around. You DO NOT have to memorize the lines - it is okay to read from the script - just don't hold it in front of your face.
- After you have rehearsed a few times, you will go into the Audition Room, and meet the Directorial staff.

- Each person in your group of 10 will sing your song (don't expect to sing the whole thing -- they may cut you off once they have heard what they need to hear).
- Your group will perform the scene(s) you rehearsed earlier.

How long does this audition process last?

The audition process lasts approximately 40 minutes.

What do I do when I'm finished?

After this, you are free to leave. You may throw your number away if you would like; we do not need it back.

How do I know if I was cast?

We will post the cast list on the wcparksandrec.com website (Activities/Children and Youth Theatre/Auditions) on the Wednesday following auditions in the late afternoon. Please follow the instructions given there regarding accepting your part and paying the activity fee.

When do I get the rehearsal schedule?

There is a mandatory parent/cast & crew meeting prior to the start of the first rehearsal. A detailed rehearsal schedule is given out that evening. Rehearsals are Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings from 5:30-7:30pm. Some parts do not require being at every rehearsal until the last few weeks prior to the performances.