



Holy Cross Academy
Wizard of Oz Young Performers' Edition
OPENERS AUDITION PACKET

Dear Holy Cross Academy Parents and Guardians,

We are very excited about our upcoming performance of “The Wizard of Oz Young Performer’s Edition!” It promises to be a fun-filled performance with lots of songs and dance!

This year, we have created a unique performance opportunity for students in 1st-3rd grades in conjunction with our school musical. Students in those grades will be able to be part of a pre-show ensemble. They will prepare 3 choreographed musical pieces to be performed at the opening of each Wizard of Oz show. Just like the previews at the movies, they will help set the stage for the “big show.”

Auditions will be held in Mrs. Howe’s 2nd grade classroom on **Wednesday, Jan. 18th**. The students will be rehearsing after school on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30-4:15 pm beginning on **January 25, 2023** with Mrs. Margaret Howe, 2nd grade teacher.

Please review the following items carefully, and fill out the form included to be handed in at the audition.

In order to audition for the show, performers **MUST** prepare the following checklist:

FOR 1ST-3RD GRADES ONLY

1. Sign up for ONE audition slot on the sign-up sheet on Sign Up Genius.

Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EACA92AABFEC70-openers>

Auditions will be held in Mrs. Howe’s 2nd grade classroom on **Wednesday, Jan. 18th**.

2. Grades 1st-3rd will be auditioning in groups of 10 students. They will be asked to sing one of the following:

“Happy Birthday” or “Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star”

3. Complete the Openers “Wizard of Oz” Audition form and have it ready to **turn in at the time of your appointed audition.**

Before you decide to audition, please make sure that you are ready to commit to the show and to the expectations required of all performers:

You are able to perform on **BOTH** show dates:

- Friday, March 24th: One afternoon performance (during regular school day for students) and One evening 6:30 pm performance
- Saturday, March 25th: One evening 6:30 pm performance
- You are able to attend all regular rehearsals (held on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30-4:15 pm beginning on **January 25, 2023**)

Opener cast members will be assessed a Drama Club fee of \$40. The fees cover the cost of a Wizard of Oz Openers t-shirt and help to cover production costs. Dues are due by: **Feb 1st**
Attached is a link for payment. It can also be found on the Musical Tab on the School’s Website.

<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/X3KCVC1V>

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Ramos at:
mramosburgos@holycrossweb.com.

Thank you for your assistance and support as we begin to prepare for our Spring Musical, “The Wizard of Oz!”

Sincerely,

Maryrosa Ramos-Burgos
Director of Music and Performance
Holy Cross Academy



Opener Student and Parent Agreement

If my child accepts a part in the musical, we agree to be present, on time, and respectful during the whole rehearsal and performance process. We understand that unexcused absences and tardiness may result in the student being removed from "The Wizard of Oz." cast. Parents, please understand that this **includes picking your child up late after rehearsals.** Your child will be checked into Avait Care if they are not picked up by 4:20 pm. We also understand that dates and times are subject to change, however, if this occurs, we will be notified immediately. We agree to help out in volunteer interest areas, keep our calendars open for the dates of the weekly rehearsals, dress rehearsals, and the three performances listed below. All cast members MUST be present for ALL rehearsals during our final production tech days of Sunday, March 19th- Thursday, March 23rd (Times TBA).

"Wizard of Oz" Openers Only

Rehearsals will begin on Jan. 25th. They will be held on Wednesdays from 3:30 - 4:15 pm in Ms. Howe's 2nd grade classroom.

- Openers will be expected to attend every rehearsal they are called to unless they are notified of any changes. Please refer to the rehearsal calendar.
- Please do not schedule family vacations the two weeks prior to opening night.
- During performance nights, cast members must arrive at Holy Cross Academy by 4:30 pm.

1st PERFORMANCE
2nd PERFORMANCE
3rd PERFORMANCE

Friday, March 24th during school hours (TBA)
6:30 pm Friday, March 24, 2023
6:30 pm Saturday, March 25, 2023

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____