

Nut Swamp School PTA – Theater Week

Dear 5th grade Students and Parents,

The Nut Swamp PTA is happy to continue our annual Theater Week tradition. We will again be calling on the talents of Mrs. Lori Olson, from the Count Basie Theater, to direct us in a production of

Willy Wonka, Jr.

Membership in the cast is open to all students in 5th grade. As a cast member, you must be available to attend an “audition” on **Friday, December 11 at 5:00 – 7:30 pm**. This will be the only day for auditions. The cast of characters will be assigned on **Wednesday, December 16th** and the students will be given the script and lyrics of the show to take home on that day. We are also looking for students that would like to be part of the stage crew to help with scene changes and the distribution of props. These students will be required to attend all rehearsals. All cast members must also be available for the following rehearsal schedule:

December 16th, 17th, and 18th	5:00 – 7:30 pm	Nut Swamp All Purpose Room
January 5th, 7th, and 12th	5:00 – 7:30 pm	Nut Swamp All Purpose Room
January 14th	6:30 – 8:30 pm	Thompson Middle School Gym

In addition, you are required to attend all performances as follows:

Friday, January 15th	9:30 am	Teachers and Student Body, Nut Swamp School
Friday, January 15th	7:30 pm	Public (Performers arrive 7:00 pm) Thompson School

All rehearsals are closed sessions; parents please wait in the school lobby for pick up. In the event of snow days, rehearsals would be cancelled and re-scheduled. Performances would also be postponed due to snow.

Parents and Guardians please read the commitment letter/permission slip with your child. This is a big commitment, and the students must be able to attend all days of Theater Week. Please fill out the casting call form and attach a small photo to the top right corner. If you and your child can clear the above dates on the calendar, we promise you will not be disappointed. **All forms must be signed and returned no later than Tuesday, December 1.** Depending on enrollment, we will be extending an invitation to our 4th grade students to participate in Theater Week. No late registrations will be accepted.

Previous performances were a huge hit and we know the students will find this experience to be fun and memorable. We look forward to seeing you and your child soon. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact any of the committee chairs.

Thank you!

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Theater Week: Letter of Commitment

I, _____, would like to participate in the Nut Swamp
(please print name)

School production of **Willy Wonka, Jr.**

I understand the following requirements are mandatory in order for me to participate:

- 1) A returned, signed permission slip with two signatures.
- 2) I will attend an audition on Friday, December 11, 2009 from 5:00 – 7:30pm.
- 3) I will alter my schedule during the weeks of December 15th, January 5th, & January 12th to accommodate rehearsals and performances. This is an 8-day commitment. Attendance will be taken before each rehearsal.
- 4) There will be no early dismissal from rehearsal.
- 5) I will remain in my assigned area from 5:00 – 7:30 pm each day.
- 6) An adult will pick me up from rehearsal each day. Crossing guards are not available, so each student must have a ride home.
- 7) I will bring a labeled water bottle only each day. No snacks will be allowed.
- 8) If I am absent from school, I may not attend the rehearsal or performance on that day.
- 9) Disobedient and unruly behavior will be grounds for dismissal. I will be on my best behavior while at rehearsals and during performances.
- 10) Most of all, I will have fun!

In addition to the above, the students will not be allowed to use or have with them any cell phones.

This is disruptive to the rehearsals. The three committee heads, plus additional parent volunteers will have cell phones in case of any emergencies. We will provide you with our cell phone numbers when the parts are cast and the students notified.

There is so much to accomplish in this short period of time, and if everyone commits to the above guidelines, we will have a great production. Please return this letter of commitment to the PTA mailbox in the main office by **Tuesday, December 1st**. No late slips will be accepted. We are looking forward to seeing you on stage!

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Teacher

Home Phone Number

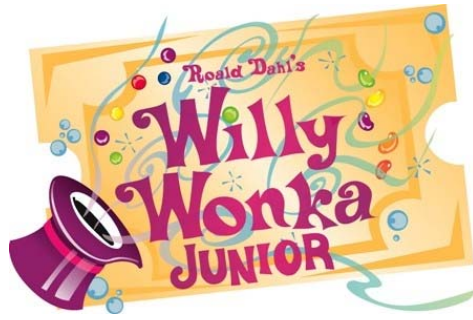
Cell Phone

Email

Who will be picking child up from rehearsals?
(Please include phone # & cell# of driver.)

Emergency Contact: _____

Number: _____



Theater Week Volunteer Form

Child's Name _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Phone No./Cell No. _____

Parents and Guardians, we need your help! Please indicate below if there is any way you can assist us. Please contact us if you have any questions. Thank you!

Scenery _____

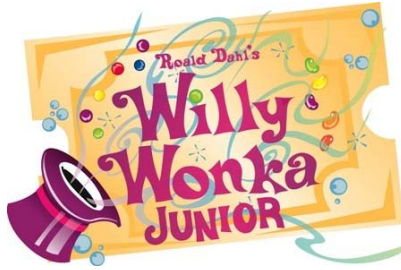
Programs _____

Ticket Sales _____

Cast Party _____

Back Stage Manager _____

Assistance at rehearsals _____
(Please specify days)



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CASTING CALL

Please attach
small photo
here

Name _____ Phone No. _____

Grade _____ Teacher _____

Please check if you would like to audition for a speaking part or non-speaking part.

____ **Speaking part / Singing part**

____ **Non Speaking / Part of an ensemble**

____ **Stage Crew**

Do you have any special talents or hobbies that you would like to share with us? (dance, play an instrument, cheerleading, etc.) _____

You will be asked to sing a few lines of a song. Choose one from the suggestions listed below.

Pure Imagination

The Candy Man

Oompa Loompa

I Want It Now
