

Hello again Summer Day Camp Families!

Monday, June 8, 2020

Thank you for your patience over the past few weeks as we work out day camp details. Camp will certainly be different this year, but we believe we have a plan that will ensure both a fun and safe day camp experience. There is a lot of information in this letter, but we've tried to make it as clear and comprehensive as possible. We will notify students and guardians of any changes as the weeks progress.

CAMP CAPACITY

- For the first two weeks of camp (*Peter and Wendy* (June 15-19) and *Robinson Crusoe* (June 22-26)) the **total number of students will be capped at 30**. The remaining four weeks of camp may be capped at 40 students.
- Each camp will consist of **two separate groups with no contact between them**.
- **Siblings** will be in the same group.
- **Special requests**, such as the wish to be in the same group as a friend (from a different household), **we will do everything we can** to accommodate that request.
- Carpooling students must be assigned to the same group – **please notify us if you will be carpooling with another family**.

CAMP CONTENT

- Students will **rehearse and perform the MCT musical** that corresponds with the week.
- **The two groups will each work on half of the play**. E.g. If Group A rehearses the first half, Group B will rehearse the second half.
- The **adult role has been adapted** for student performers.
- Since many students will play multiple roles, **we will forgo regular costumes**. Instead, students will perform in an **MCT-issued shirt wearing their own pants or jeans**. We will supplement the look with other costume pieces. **Students will not gather in dressing rooms**.
- **No make-up**
- **Props will be sanitized** between uses.
- Day camp **teachers will work with the same group** of students only and won't intermingle.
- Along with performing their half of the show, **each group will also create their own theatre piece** to present at the end of the week.
- For the first week of camp, **the performance of both the musical and original theatre pieces will be streamed** to a private source that will be accessible to families. The live stream will also be uploaded to a private YouTube link that will be emailed to day camp families.
- As our day camp weeks progress, **we may switch over to having a live audience**.
- You will know if your day camp week will culminate in a live or streaming performance when you receive your camp specific email one-week prior to the beginning of your day camp session.

CAMP HEALTH PRECAUTIONS

UPON ARRIVAL

- **Each morning** of camp, all MCT staff, day camp staff, and day camp students will undergo a **quick, health screening** before entering the building. Each person will:
 - ✓ Receive a **temperature check** with a no-contact thermometer
 - ✓ Answer a few **yes/no questions**
- For students, the screening will **take place by the “MCT Center for the Performing Arts” sign**.
 - ✓ Students will line up on the **Broadway sidewalk and use the social distancing markers**.
 - ✓ In case of **inclement weather**, please stay in your car and we will come to you.
 - ✓ **A guardian must stay with the student(s)** until they have cleared the health screening.
 - ✓ With written consent, **students 16 or older may be screened without a guardian**
- MCT Staff, students and guardians are **required to wear face coverings** during this health screening.

***PLEASE NOTE*:** If anyone (staff or student) has a fever **at or above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit** or, is **experiencing any symptoms that person will be sent home**. Unfortunately, health guidelines mandate that a person may not return to camp for 7 days, which means a student would not be allowed back that week. MCT will do its best to reschedule your student for a different week once they have recovered.

- **Health screen records are private** and will be destroyed after the recommended length of time.
- Once cleared, students will enter the building and **thoroughly wash their hands** before heading to their assigned room.
- This health screening **will replace our traditional morning sign in sheet**.

DURING CAMP

- **MCT will routinely clean and disinfect common areas** numerous times throughout the day.
- Each student group will have **assigned times for bathroom and water use** to avoid sanitation staff. Students may use the bathroom outside those times if needed.
- **Internal doors at MCT will be propped open** to reduce the need to touch handles.
- **On Monday only**, students will wear stick on name tag.
- **Students will be issued a paper bracelet** to wear each day that identifies the group they are in. The bracelets will be removed and disposed of at the end of the day.
- **Students will be assigned a cubby** to separately store their items.
- **Snack times and lunch** will be in the group classroom.
- **Hand sanitizer will be readily available throughout MCT**; students are encouraged to bring their own if possible.
- **Your student will need to wear a mask at certain times**; however, we will keep that at a minimum as much as possible and we'll take frequent breaks. We recommend that students bring masks they enjoy wearing (both in comfort and appearance). MCT will provide a mask if your student forgets theirs.
- **There will be no park/outside activities**. After lunch we will have a quiet time when students can either take a quick nap or enjoy a quiet activity like reading a favorite book. Please do not send your students with electronics or items like board games that inhibit social distancing.
- Any **shared craft supplies** will be sanitized between uses.
- During day camp, the **exterior doors to our box office vestibule are the only ones open for the public**. The interior doors of the vestibule will be locked.
- If you need to deliver something to your student – or pick them up early – **please make your request to the box office staff**. You will not be able to enter the lobby to find your student.

END OF THE DAY

- At the end of the day, **camp staff and students will take 10 minutes** to pick up and wipe down their classrooms.
- **MCT will thoroughly clean and disinfect the building** after students leave each day.
- Day camp groups will have **separate pickup locations**. These locations and procedures will be in the email sent one-week prior to the beginning of your day camp session.

REFUND POLICY

- After reviewing the above, we understand you may want to re-evaluate your student's interest in joining us this summer. Our refund policy remains the same; you may receive a full refund until the day camp begins.
- **Once your student arrives at camp, refunds are no longer possible.** If your plans do change, please let us know as soon as you can as we have an extensive waitlist.

As mentioned, **you will receive an additional email one week prior to camp** that will list what your student should bring to camp, the routes of drop off and pick up, if your camp will culminate with a live or streaming performance, and any last-minute details. **For families in the first week of *Peter and Wendy* (June 15-19)** this email will be sent tomorrow, June 9, 2020.

Like every other day camp organization, we continually keep a close eye on the ever-evolving news about all things COVID-19. **There is a chance we may have to modify our accommodations to ensure we stay compliant with any new recommendations. We will let you know as soon as we can if anything changes.**

Thank you again for your patience and support. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email education@MCT.org. We will see you soon!