Greetings Parents/Guardians & Students,

As a production team we have an extensive background and education in theatre (specifically musical theatre), and having been involved in numerous productions and in varying roles (on-stage and off), we’re extremely excited to bring our passion and experience to the RLMS stage. We have found that our love for theatre can only be outmatched by our love for working with young actors and actresses at the middle school level. This year our production (TBD) is on **March 7TH and 8TH, 2013**.

Due to the many factors and elements involved with any theatre production, it is of utmost importance that anyone hoping to become involved with the Drama Club production is aware of the expectations that will be placed on them:

* The Drama Club is an **extreme** time commitment.
  + Those cast in the production should plan to be free Monday through Friday from 3-5 PM every week starting in January (Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 3-4/4:30 PM) through to the production in March. As the production approaches we will most likely extend our rehearsal time to 5:30 or even 6 PM.
  + In addition, those cast in principal roles should expect to begin light rehearsals in late October (2X/week) and music rehearsals Tuesday mornings at 7 AM).
  + If a person is cast in the show, or is a member of the stage crew, they will be required to attend rehearsals when called to attend. If you are a cast or crew member, and you consistently miss rehearsals that you are called to attend, you will be removed from the Drama Club production. Attendance is taken at each rehearsal.
* We discourage students from doing Drama Club if theyknow that they will need to miss more than **three** scheduled rehearsals ahead of auditioning. Please indicate on the back of this sheet any dates that you **know** you will need to miss ahead of auditioning.
* Drama Club members are also subject to meeting their **academic and behavioral** responsibilities BEFORE their rehearsal commitment. We **require** that students do their homework at rehearsals if they are not needed on stage. Further, if a student is not performing to academic and/or behavioral expectations they will be removed from the Drama Club production-- no questions asked.
* In addition, we ask that for the final two weeks of rehearsal (February 24th – March 6th), ALL CAST MEMBERS PLAN TO ATTEND REHEARSAL FROM 3-6. The last two weeks of our rehearsal period are precious and crucial to the integrity of our production. You must be there!

**AUDITIONS**:

Please understand that not all students who audition for the production will be cast. This is due to a variety of concerns-- safety being primary.

**In order to sign up for an audition, please return the slip below, signed by both the student and parent/guardian, to Ms. Brown-Wilusz in Rm. 222 by September 20th**. Auditions will be held on September 25th and 26th, with a CALLBACK (TBD) following for those in contention for principal roles. Please make sure to indicate whether you need access to the late bus or not. A final list of audition times will be posted in the Main Lobby and on the Drama Club Website.

**ALL STUDENTS MUST COME TO THEIR AUDITION WITH SHEET MUSIC PREPARED TO SING 16 BARS FROM A BROADWAY MUSICAL** (See Dr. Smolinski in Rm. 245 if you would like to audition but do not have sheet music). Please also bring a recent picture such as your school picture to the audition.

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the 2013-2014 RLMS Drama Club production,

Greg Superty (Director), Keith Smolinski (Musical Director), & Leah Brown-Wilusz (Producer)

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I agree to the terms of this contract, and understand that being involved with the Drama Club is a major time commitment, and that there are conditions that could result in me being removed from the production. I also understand that auditioning does not guarantee that I will be cast.

Student’s Name (First & Last **PRINTED NEATLY**) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Circle audition dates that you are available:** Wednesday, September 25th Thursday, September 26th **Do you need the late bus?** YES NO