



**Saugatuck Theater Club** is back for a 5th year with a spring musical production of *Little Mermaid Jr.*! Please read the following notes carefully. Here is what you need to know as a parent and a student interested in joining our cast or crew:

- The STC Musical is open to all students in grades 3-5 interested in joining the cast.
- Families of participating students are required to provide a minimum of two volunteer hours (per participating child) assisting with the show.
- **The deadline for applications is Friday, November 18th and space is limited. *NO exceptions will be made!***
- Auditions will be for singing, speaking and dance roles. Auditions are not needed for children who wish to be in the ensemble however all are welcome to submit an audition.
- **Auditions for lead roles will be submitted virtually this year. Submission dates are November 21-December 5.**
- **Call backs for specific roles will occur in person by our request December 13-15 afterschool.**
- There will be an optional (virtual) Q&A for interested cast, crew and parents on Wednesday, 11/9 at 5:00. Here is the [LINK](#) for this meeting should you want to join us.
- We will be looking for children who have prior dance experience to be featured dancers in our show. **If your child wishes to audition for a potential dancing role it will occur after school on Wednesday 12/7 until 4:30. You can sign up for a dance audition [HERE](#). Dancers still need to fill out the sign up link at the bottom of this page.** Participating in dance auditions will not preclude your child from being selected for a lead role. It just gives us a better idea about what your child can do.
- Rehearsals will start the week of January 9th and can occur Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays and run until our first show on March 30th. Rehearsals are from dismissal until 4:40. Signouts will start at 4:30 and will conclude by 4:40. Everyone won't be needed at all rehearsals. **Students with larger roles will have more rehearsal than the ensemble.**
- Cast members can miss no more than two rehearsals so please plan accordingly if your child joins STC.
- **The show is March 30-April 1 with the biggest time commitment in the last two weeks of March.**
- A full rehearsal schedule will be posted in late December. Please note that the final weeks leading up to the show will require more frequent and longer rehearsals. Most crew won't be needed until March.
- The Saugatuck Theater Club is an independent entity from the SES PTA.

**If you wish for your child to participate as a member of The Little Mermaid CAST or CREW, sign up no later than November 18th [HERE](#). If enrollment begins to exceed our capacity registration could close sooner, so don't delay. Send a check for \$100 made payable to **Saugatuck Elementary School (not SES or STC)** no later than 11/21 with STC and your child's name in the memo line. This participation fee will include a t-shirt and a video of our show. Email questions to: [STC@westportps.org](mailto:STC@westportps.org)**

*No SES family will be denied participation in this event due to inability to pay. Please contact Principal Beth Messler at [emessler@westportps.org](mailto:emessler@westportps.org) or 203-221-2910 for confidential financial assistance.*