PERFORMING ARTS SHOWCASE INFORMATION

We are all looking forward to our Performing Arts Showcase at TCA North this year!

At TCA, we strive for excellence in what we do. The Performing Arts Showcase is a way for students to showcase what they can do after much practice. The longer a student has spent practicing a skill, the better that skill becomes. The Performing Arts Showcase will be open to 5th and 6th grade students at TCA North. This will allow more of the excellence to shine through as these students have been able to practice and refine their skills. We know that this might result in some sadness for younger students, but we encourage you to have them keep practicing their skills so that one day they will be ready for the Performing Arts Showcase.

The North Elementary Performing Arts Showcase is scheduled for Friday, February 5 at 4:00pm in the North Elementary Gym. The Performing Arts Showcase is for TCA students in fifth and sixth grades only. The auditions will be held on Friday, January 15 starting at 1:00pm in the music room (room 279).

The following are the Performing Arts Showcase requirements, so PLEASE READ CAREFULLY. We want to demonstrate to the participating students that being prepared will help make the event fair and worth working hard for. Our goal is to make certain that ALL participating children and their parents understand these guidelines BEFORE the auditions so there is no room for misunderstandings or disappointments.

1. All entrants (5th and 6th grade only) must fill out a permission slip and then sign up for a time slot to audition. If there is a certain time that works best for you during normal school hours, please specify that on the form. You can also email that form to Mrs. Osifo. The last day to turn this in will be Wednesday, January 13.

2. All entrants that have lyrics MUST include a copy of the lyrics with their entry form, neatly written or typed, and they MUST be age and content appropriate. (Note: If a student does not SING the lyrics but they are heard while he/she is performing i.e. dance, skit, etc., the lyrics must STILL be appropriate.)

3. All entrants MUST be COMPLETELY prepared at the audition. They can NOT come unprepared and say it will be better in a week. It must ALREADY be prepared. Where applicable, the student must be memorized, have props ready, come in costume, and have what they are doing well learned. If the act is not adequately prepared at the audition, it will NOT be accepted in the program. This may sound “hard”, but will all work together for the good if we start off on the right foot, understanding the guidelines. It will also make for an outstanding Performing Arts Showcase of dedicated, excited, and prepared students.

4. No entry can exceed 4 minutes.

5. Only ONE ‘act’ per person. For example, a student may NOT play a solo piano piece and then be in a skit.

6. An ‘act’ may have one, two, or many students in it performing together

7. Each ‘act’ must provide its own accompaniment (if singing) or music: CD, instrumental track on a flash drive, accompanist, etc. YouTube videos do not work well for this as the reception in the school is not always reliable.

8. The ‘acts’ do not have to be singing, but it must be some sort of performance art for which the student takes lessons or rehearses/practices on a regular basis. (Other examples might be juggling, dancing, playing an instrument, reciting a poem or dramatic reading, a skit….)

9. No entries of just singing along WITH a singer on a CD will be accepted. It needs to be a ‘performance only’ track, karaoke track, or instrumental track.

10. Instruments other than a piano must be provided by the individual.

11. NO LATE ENTRIES will be accepted. You MUST attend the audition day or send in your audition video by the audition day if you intend to participate in the performance event. In the case of sickness, please contact Mrs. Osifo.

12. We will provide a way to play music and microphones that may be needed, as well as a piano and music stands.

13. If the audition is done via video, please turn those videos in no later than Friday, January 15 (email should work, flash drive is also a great option)

After auditions have been completed, Mrs. Osifo will post a list outside of the music room stating whose act made it into the showcase.

There are so many talented students at TCA and we are looking forward to a fun and exciting evening of great entertainment. I hope to see YOU at auditions!!!

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