

Clovis Elementary Drama Program

Hello Families of Clovis Elementary Drama Students for 2018-19!

This year the school play is called "Bugz!" by John Jacobsen. The play is for students in 3rd-6th grade. The Drama teachers are Miss Braswell and Mrs. Hicks. Rehearsals will be on campus and take place before or after school on Wednesdays from September 5-November 8. Please read this entire packet and fill out the commitment form to turn in at your audition.

Auditions:

Auditions will be the second week of school (August 27-31) in the Choir room (Rm 16). There are 3 audition times, pick only one. Students and their parent must have signed the Drama Commitment Form in order to audition. There will be no makeups. Cast list will be posted the week after auditions on Wednesday Sept 5th at rehearsal. EVERYONE who auditions will be in the play, but not everyone will get a speaking/solo part.

1) Monday 7:15-8 am 2) Wednesday 7:15-8 am 3) Wednesday 2-3 pm

Rehearsals and Performance:

Wednesdays (Mandatory for all cast) 3:00-4:30 pm in MPR

Monday/Tuesday/Friday (Will vary by part) 7:30-8:00 am in Room 16

Drama students are expected to attend rehearsals every Wednesday from 3-4:30 pm. Additional rehearsals will be before school on M/Tue/F from 7:30-8:00 am, and will vary depending on which students need extra rehearsal time (*i.e. Ants on Monday, Ladybugs on Tues, etc*). For students who ride the bus, please make arrangements accordingly. A parent meeting will be after our first rehearsal on Wed. Sept 5th from 4-4:30. The performance will be in the MPR on November 8th after school at 6:30.

Costumes:

This play offers a lot of opportunities for creative costumes! To help pay for student outfits and costumes, we are asking for a \$15 donation per student. If you can make a donation, please turn in ASAP, or by Friday, Sept. 28th at the latest. There is also a need for parents who can help organize, sew or provide pieces for our costumes, please indicate if you are interested on the next page and turn in with your student at their audition.

Expectations and Attendance:

Drama students are expected to attend all rehearsals, be on time, and work hard. If you miss three rehearsals, you will be removed from the play. To excuse an absence, your parent must contact Drama Teachers within 24 hours of your absence. If you know of any schedule conflicts you have, please write them on the Drama Student Commitment Form or notify your teacher in advance.

Thank you!

Miss Braswell
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Clovis Elementary Drama Commitment Form

Please fill out and turn in this form at your audition

I have read the forms and I understand what is expected of me as a Clovis Elementary Drama student. I will continue in Drama until the last day of the play.

Student Name

Date

I have read this with my child and understand the expectations for Drama students. I will encourage my child to do their best and remain in drama until the play is over.

Parent Signature

Print Name

Date

List all foreseen schedule conflicts:

There are lots of ways for parents to contribute to this production.

Please indicate how you'd like to support below.

_____ I am sending a \$15 cash donation for costumes (attach in an envelope)

_____ I will donate snacks for Wednesday afternoon rehearsals

_____ I can sew and can help with costumes

_____ I would like to volunteer as Concessions Manager (for 11/8 evening)

Phone _____

Email _____

Parent-Volunteer Availability:

Bugz! Auditions

Auditions will be in the Choir Room. Pick one audition time.

- 1) Monday, August 27th. Before school from 7:15-8:00 am.
- 2) Wednesday, August 29th. Before school from 7:15-8:00 am.
- 3) Wednesday, August 29th. After school from 2-3 pm.

We will do auditions in groups of 3 or 4. If you want to audition with your friends, practice together and come for the same audition time. Make sure you all have your Commitment Form!

To audition for a **speaking** part, recite this poem. Be dramatic and try to memorize!

“Sick” by Shel Silverstein

“I cannot go to school today,”
Said little Peggy Ann McKay.
“I have the measles and the mumps,
A gash, a rash and purple bumps.
My mouth is wet, my throat is dry,
I’m going blind in my right eye.

My tonsils are as big as rocks,
I’ve counted sixteen chicken pox
And there’s one more—
That’s seventeen,
And don’t you think
My face looks green?

To audition for a **singing** part, sing a short part of a song that shows off your voice. If you cannot think of a song, you can sing one of these:

“Do Re Mi”

Do a deer, a female deer
Re a drop of golden sun
Mi, a name I call myself
Fa, a long long way to run
So, a needle pulling thread
La, a note to follow so
Ti, a drink with jam and bread
That will bring us back to
Do-o-o-o-oh!

“The Itsy Bitsy Spider”

The Itsy Bitsy Spider
Went up the water spout.
Down came the rain and
Washed the spider out.
Out came the sun and
Dried up all the rain.
And the itsy bitsy spider
Went up the spout again

Speaking Parts: Praying Mantis, Honey Bee, Gypsy Moth, Monarch Butterfly, Maggot, Horsefly, Spider Yellow Jacket, Dragonfly, Boll Weevil, Flipping Beetle, Worm, Stink Bug. (And any other bug you can think of!)

Singing Parts: Lady Bugs(one solo), Army Ants(one soloist), Fireflies, Caterpillars/Butterflies