



SJS Drama Dept. Permission Form 2016-2017

Dear Parents and Students,

Thank you for showing an interest in St. John's Drama Department! This year's play will be Disney's "**Mary Poppins**". We will also have a **Fall Variety Show**. Most of our practices will be on Thursdays, and we'll add some Fridays in the 2nd semester. The play performances will be May 5-6, 2017, and the Variety Show will be November 10, 2016.

You are about to take on a huge commitment. We expect good attendance, grades, and behavior. If you have prior commitments, please let us know that you need a small part or would like to be on the crew. You must be in 4th-8th grade in order to participate.

All cast and crew will need to pay a fee of \$20 to help pay for scripts, performance meals, etc. Practices run from 3-5:15pm unless otherwise noted. Good attendance is vital for a successful production! This includes staying for the entire practice, and not constantly leaving early.

This year, we will continue the position of "Drama Captains". These will be responsible middle school students who we feel will be good leaders. They will help us run practices and teach choreography, music, blocking, and lines/acting. While the Captains are not in charge, we do expect all cast and crew to listen to them and treat them with respect.

Auditions will be held for 4th-5th grades on Wednesday, September 7 from 3-4:30pm. Auditions for 6th-8th grades will be held Thursday, September 8 from 3-4:30pm. We may have Call-Backs on Friday, September 9 from 3-4pm for the lead roles.

To prepare for auditions: 1) Main Part- Please choose a Mary Poppins song and practice a 30 second portion of it. We highly suggest watching a portion of a You Tube video of the Broadway play. You will sing your song portion and act out a scene of our choice at the audition. We may have Call-Backs to see certain actors again. 2) Smaller Part- Come to auditions ready to sing and act with a small group. We'll choose the song.

Please keep this form. The second form is to be filled out by the student. When complete, please return the form to Mrs. Zoeller (Room 105). We look forward to an exciting Drama year!

☺ Thanks,

Mrs. Zoeller jzoeller@stjohnb.com

Mrs. Velasquez cvelasquez@stjohnb.com

Mrs. Lones jlones@stjohnb.com

**** Please return this form to Mrs. Zoeller by September 5! ****

Yes, my child, _____ has permission to join the Drama Department for the 2016-2017 school year's production of Disney's "Mary Poppins" and the Fall Variety Show. The practices will mostly be on Thursdays from 3-5:15pm. There will be some practices on Fridays in the 2nd semester.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____ Child's Homeroom: _____

E-mail: _____

Audition Rubric

"Mary Poppins" Song (Main Cast only): _____

	Point Value	Notes
Singing: Projection, enthusiasm Possible: 35 points		
Vocal Tone: Accurate singing, emotion conveyed Possible: 10 points		
Acting: Enthusiasm, projection, ability to make it their own Possible: 35 points		
Creativity: Outstanding qualities Possible: 10 points		
Behavior: In school/after school, auditions Possible: 10 points		