



Audition Information Packet

IMPORTANT!!! A SPECIAL NOTE TO PARENTS ABOUT AUDITIONS

Our goal for the music program in the Children's Choirs at The Heights Baptist Church, is for children to have a fun and positive experience by rehearsing for, and participating in, musical productions. We seek to choose music that teaches children about Jesus Christ and His love for us, as in our Spring musical, ***PROMISE U!***

We will have auditions for all parts on Sunday, January 29, 3 - 5 p.m., and Monday, January 30, 5:30 - 7 p.m. in the Choir Room (located behind the Worship Center). We are looking for actors, singers and the interpretive dancer for the role of Pocahontas. Sign-up sheets will be posted at the Worship Quest Registration Table on Wednesday, January 18. You may also email Angela Irby at airby@theheights.org, to schedule a time after that date.

For any musical part (solo, duet, or ensemble), a child may prepare for their audition by performing any song from the "**PROMISE U**" musical. For drama roles, a child will be asked to read from a provided script. If a child is interested in the solo dance, they will need a one-minute routine with a song of their choice.

Due to the limited amount of parts, **drama and movement auditions will be limited to Grades 3 - 6. Solo auditions will be for grades K-6.** Priority for ALL parts are given to our older grades since these are their last years to participate.

In choosing special parts, Angela and her team work diligently at splitting up parts, adding and creating parts, and making special numbers so that more children have the opportunity to participate. We look for children who are secure and confident and ready **technically and emotionally** to handle the demands of major solos and parts. This comes from observing the child during choir time as well as during formal auditions. (Nothing is more detrimental to a child, than to be cast in a solo or special speaking part that he is not prepared to play.)

Prayer...

We encourage you to pray with your child about our presentation and the audition process. Here are some suggestions:

1. That God will use this musical in the lives of the children and adults who participate, as well as those who come to hear it, and that He will receive all glory and honor!
2. That God will use me and my child in whatever way He wants.
3. That God will use this experience as a time of fun and fellowship.
4. That God will give parts to each child as He sees fit. He knows each child's needs perfectly. When we pray that way, we can rejoice with others that God's will was done!

As a Parent...

Please do your part. Some children are not given a part simply because you have not turned in a commitment form. Remember, we do take into consideration a child's attendance record. If your child is not cast initially and wants to do something, the best thing to do is to make sure they are at each rehearsal, giving their all and doing their best with good conduct. There are many last minute parts that are assigned during rehearsals, and children who are there with bright and shiny faces are more apt to be picked.

Lastly, we also need help putting on this production! From set design to phone calls, there is much to do. As our musicals grow in size and magnitude, there is a greater need for parent help. Take ownership and consider this part of your responsibility.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Angela Irby in the children's music office at the church at (972) 231-6047, ext. 213.



Extra Part REVISED Rehearsal Schedule

Drama Cast Patrick Williams, Drama Director

*Will be assigned to *FROM THE PAGE TO THE STAGE* Worship U Class



Wednesdays	beginning on February 8, 6:30—7:30 (possibly to 8:00 during month of April)
April 25	Dress Rehearsal, 5:00—7:30 p.m.
April 29	Dress Rehearsal, 3:00—5:00 p.m. Performance, 6:00 p.m.

Soloists & Other Special Parts

Wednesday evenings *after* choir beginning March 7

April 25	Dress Rehearsal, 5:00—7:30 p.m.
April 29	Dress Rehearsal, 3:00—5:00 p.m. Performance, 6:00 p.m.
May 2	Ministry Concert at Northwood Apts. 5:30 p.m.



PROMISE U. Performance

Sunday, April 29, 6:00 p.m.



Once *Promise U.* is cast, each child that gets a part will receive a personalized rehearsal schedule that will reflect dates and times listed above. This is because some roles and other special parts will not need as much rehearsal time as others will. Rehearsal times are subject to change, and they will be made in advance. Communication will be made by phone or email. Before your child auditions, remember that this is a **COMMITMENT**. Please check calendars for scouts, sports, dance, or any other activities that may conflict with the extra rehearsals. **Unexcused absences will result in a part being re-cast.**