

**MAVERICK THEATRE COMPANY  
MORTON RANCH HIGH SCHOOL  
AUDITION CONTRACT**

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students:

Welcome to the Maverick Theatre Company's audition process. Being selected as a member of a theatre company, either as a performer or technician/crew personnel is an incredible commitment of time and energy on both the part of the student and the parents/family. We are honored that you have chosen to make such a commitment to our theatre company.

Please read thoroughly this document and the attached calendar. Make note and highlight all known conflicts with the rehearsal and performance schedule, sign this document and the calendar, make a copy for yourself and return the original to the stage manager.

Please note that all rehearsals and performances listed are required unless they are highlighted. There are no unexcused absences. Exceptions for family emergencies, severe illness are granted on a case-by-case basis with approval of the theatre directors. Approval must be obtained in advance of the rehearsal or performance. Missing a rehearsal or performance will result in replacement and/or loss of thespian points. The theatre directors can be reached via email at [pamelawilson@katyisd.org](mailto:pamelawilson@katyisd.org) or by telephone at 281/237-7904.

Please note that auditioning for a production as a performer or a technician/crew personnel is a process. A student will be given at least one opportunity to audition and/or interview. Students must be present for his/her entire audition/interview process or until released by the directors. Not all who audition may be selected to participate and auditioning and/or completing the audition process does not, in any manner, ensure or guarantee a place in the production. There are a number of aspects of the student that must be considered. Some of these are, but not limited to the following: personal and professional attitude, ability to focus, ability to work as part of an ensemble, chemistry with others, artistic ability, movement, voice, look, emotional levels, ability to listen, ability to take and follow direction and do so with a professional attitude, ability to work as a team, schedule conflicts, ability to meet deadlines, work under pressure, ability to follow rules, regulations and procedures, commitment to the program, past performances, promptness, and needs and requirements of each individual production. Still with all of these aspects and more to consider a certain amount of subjectivity is involved. It is important to understand the ultimate decision will be that of the director.

Following the announcement of all cast and crew assignments, students may make an appointment with the director to discuss their audition the week after final cast and crew are posted. Only the student's work in the audition/interview will be discussed. No other student's work or any comparison to others will be discussed. This is for educational purposes only so the students will have some point of reference to continue working towards their next audition. It is important that all students and parents understand fully that only a limited number of students may be chosen. Again, not all who audition may be chosen. Parents must support their children by staying positively focused and maintaining a positive attitude about the educational value of trying out for a position and learning how the student can work towards making the next audition better. Staying positive,

acting in a sportsman-like manner and focusing on the educational aspect of the audition is paramount to the overall success of the student in high school and in life.

Students may be removed from a production for reasons or actions including, but not limited to the following:

- Ineligible grades on the progress report or six-week grading period
- Any disciplinary referral
- Continued tardiness to rehearsal or class
- Any unexcused absence from school or rehearsal
- Illegal activity or behavior
- Any behavior in rehearsal, production, school function or in public that reflects poorly on the Morton Ranch Theatre Company or Morton Ranch High School
- Disrespect of any kind towards directors, teachers, students, administrators, parents or school personnel
- Non-communication or improper communication with the director
- Inability to follow direction from the director, student leader or any personnel involved in the production
- Failure to behave in a safe and focused manner while onstage, in the shop, in rehearsal or any other theatre activity or function
- Inability or failure as determined by the director of the student to fulfill a task in an appropriate manner or time

Removal from a production for any reason may effect ability to be assigned future productions.

This form and attached calendar with highlighted conflicts must be signed and return in order for the student to be considered for an assignment.

I have read and accept the terms of the contract stated herein and further understand that acceptance of these terms in no manner is regarded as assurance or guarantee of participation in this or any other Maverick Theatre Company Production. In addition, I will maintain a focused and positive attitude regarding the audition process and fully support the final decision of the director.

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Student Signature

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Student Printed Name

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Parent/Guardian

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Date