**Falcon Footlights Theater Presents: Matilda, Jr.**

**February 21-25,2024**

**Cast Audition Form**

**\*Please attach a head shot to this form (Photo will not be returned).**

First & Last Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name & Best contact number(s):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Circle School: FES DES FHES HMS Current Grade:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gender: M F

Homeroom Teacher:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Height(Inches):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please list any previous theater experience below (include any named roles):

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Please list any dance experience below:

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Please list any martial arts experience below:

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Please list any gymnastics/tumbling skills you would be willing to do on stage:

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Are you auditioning for a specific role? Yes No

If Yes, indicate which role:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_()

Will you accept other roles or an ensemble role? Yes No

(There are additional characters that will have a line or two so there are opportunities for many students to have “moments” on stage.)

**\*Important Things to Note\***

**PLEASE LIST ALL WEEKLY & ONE-TIME CONFLICTS ON THIS FORM.** “CONFLICTS” include any day/time that your child will be unavailable for rehearsal during both weekdays as well as weekends. This also includes one-time events and recurring events (practices/games/etc.). Availability will be taken into consideration as casting decisions are made. In addition to reviewing the important details below, please look at our ***tentative*** rehearsal calendar (which is part of this packet) as you consider the time investment for your child. The Director may add rehearsals or change rehearsal times when necessary, however this will be rare. While some conflicts may be approved by the Director prior to casting, *ALL rehearsals become MANDATORY regardless of conflicts* beginning **January 20, 2024**, and cast members are expected to prioritize play rehearsals over any previously approved activities/conflicts.

**Falcon Footlights Attendance Policy:** Attendance issues will result in dismissal following the 2nd occurrence with the exception being one of the following:

* Previously approved/planned absence communicated prior to casting via the audition form (prior to mandatory rehearsal start date 01/20/24)
* Excused school absence in which you should email [falconfootlights@gmail.com](mailto:falconfootlights@gmail.com) to notify of the absence
* Emergency in which you have personally contacted the Director prior to the rehearsal

**There will be a total of 5 show performances February 21-25, 2024.**

**\*If your child is cast and accepts the role, there is a MANDATORY parent meeting during the first week of rehearsals( week of November 6th, 2023). Please look for an email from** [**falconfootlights@gmail.com**](mailto:falconfootlights@gmail.com) **regarding the meeting date. The parent meetings take place immediately following rehearsals at 5:30pm and will only last for 30 minutes.**

**Audition Information & What to Expect**

**Who?** Auditions are open to 1st through 8th grade students who attend FES, DES, FHES & HMS.

**Where?** Auditions will be held at Farmington Elementary on Saturday, October 28th, 2023, from 9am-3pm.

Drop off and pick-up will take place in the FES front lobby. You should bring your child to check-in no later than 10 minutes before his/her audition time. Please wait in your car during auditions. If the Director deems necessary, call-backs will be held from 5pm-6pm on the same day. We will contact any call-backs by 4pm.

**Sign-up!** You can sign- up for an audition slot via the following Sign-Up genius Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080849AEAD22ABFA7-falcon1>

You can also locate the Sign-up genius link on the FES PTO website [www.ptofarmington.org](http://www.ptofarmington.org)

**What?** Bring your completed Audition Form with conflicts listed on the back and a current picture from the shoulders up (4x6 recent school picture or headshot). This picture will not be returned.

**How?** Students will need to be prepared to perform the following during the audition:

1. Audition song selection (without guide vocals)
2. Audition monologue selection (does not need to be memorized)
3. Audition dance- (this is performed along with 3-5 other students in the same audition group)

\*Audition songs, monologues and dance video can be found on [www.ptofarmington.org](http://www.ptofarmington.org) under Calendar & Special Events>School Play

\*Please wear comfortable shoes: no sandals, flip-flops, or boots

\*Students should be prepared for “on-the-spot” characterization of any role during the audition.

\*A cast of about 30-40 will be chosen for Matilda, Jr.

\*We will be holding Crew interviews on Thursday, December 14th, 2023, from 4:30p-5:30p. If your child is interested, please send an email to falconfootlights@gmail.com

**Time Commitment:**

It is crucial that each parent and student understand the time commitment before deciding to audition. If you have ever seen one of the Falcon Footlights productions, then you understand that it is *not* your typical school play! Being in this show does not mean that you can’t participate in other activities, HOWEVER, individual conflicts will be a determining factor in the casting of the show. It is extremely important that your student’s conflicts are listed on the audition conflict form. Typical rehearsals run 2 to 4 times a week from 4-5:30 or 6 and some Saturdays. MANDATORY rehearsals will begin January 20,2024. Please review the attached TENTATIVE rehearsal calendar. This is subject to change, but it gives you a pretty accurate picture around what will be expected regarding your time commitment. All cast members will not necessarily be called to all rehearsals prior to mandatory rehearsals beginning (January 20,2024), but it is expected that if your child is called toa rehearsal, that he/she attend ( please refer to attendance policy above). We will do our best to post final rehearsal schedules at least 2 weeks ahead of time*. We will use an app called Team Snap to post rehearsal dates and other communications.*

**Parent Volunteer Requirement:** If your child is part of our cast or crew, we ask that you join one of our Parent Committees. Falcon Footlights is a fully school-sponsored organization and we cannot be successful without our parent volunteers! Our committees each have chairs who will reach out to you after all committees are filled. Expect to be able to help during the months of November-February. The days/hours and different needs will vary and do not always require you to physically be present. Volunteerism is a critical component of a successful show, and we need everyone’s support to make our show a success this year. There will be an option to donate $150 in exchange for your hours, but what we really want, and need is you! You are the ones who can help us best, and we will work to find you a spot to volunteer that you can enjoy. Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and possibly older siblings can help your family meet your volunteer requirement. You will learn more about this at the parent meeting in November.

**Financial Commitment:**

All cast members are required to pay the participation fee which will be due at the parent meeting in November.

**Participation fee is $165 per cast member**. This can be paid by check made out to Farmington Elementary School or credit/debit card via School Cash. The participation fee covers costumes, pizza lunches for Saturday rehearsals, cast member t-shirts, along with any supplies needed for the cast or set.

\*You will be asked to provide a pair of jazz shoes for your child closer to mandatory rehearsals beginning. The color and style will be determined by our Director & Costume Commitee. The cost for these shoes is typically around $20.

**\*Optional Support of the Playbill: There will be business and personal ad space availed for purchase beginning at $35 for a ¼ page ad. If you or someone you know owns a business and would like to support Falcon Footlights, please email** [**falconfootlights@gmail.com**](mailto:falconfootlights@gmail.com) **for more details.**

Please contact Falcon Footlights at [falconfootlights@gmail.com](mailto:falconfootlights@gmail.com) to discuss any financial concerns.