

MTC **New** Troupe Audition Information:

April 26

Time Slots between 4 and 8 pm

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Musical Theatre Center and Once Upon a Ballet are sister performing arts companies. MTC is our non-profit organization where our Troupes produce musicals, and Once Upon a Ballet trains students ages 2-18 years in weekly technique classes! We are an **award-winning program** that provides professional training for students in singing, acting and dancing while also producing 8 full-scale musicals each year with casts made up entirely of students. Musical produced by kids, FOR kids, and the whole family!

Mandatory Steps to Register ****if not completed, your spot will not be saved and given to another student**

- Step 1: Register Child:** through our website [here](#)
 - Provide your card info to pay the non-refundable \$25 audition fee (charged 1-5 days after)

Step 2: Fill out Google Form: It is required to fill out the form in full and submit. Once the above steps are fully completed, **then** your audition slot **will** be secured. You will receive a time slot for their audition about a week before April 26. For forms: [Click HERE](#)

FAQ: Acceptance Dates: Please note: placements will be sent at the beginning of June

FAQ: Questions WILL repeat in both forms

4 Levels of Troupe:

- Each Troupe is dedicated to the growth of each individual child as they train in musical theater. These troupes each have a different level of expectations and training requirements.
 - Placement is based on factors such as:** Skill level in acting, dancing and singing, age and rising grade level, social maturity, previous attendance, and overall positive contribution to the studio environment. Being eligible does NOT mean they will be placed into that Troupe

Troupe Payments and what it includes

- **Showstoppers: Rising K-3rd** **11 payments of \$208 (starts in July)**
- Receive Full Year Discount: Pay in (1) installment of \$2128 by check ONLY by July 1st
- Includes: 2 hrs of Instruction weekly (Classes and Rehearsals), 2 Productions per year and a complimentary MTC uniform t-shirt
 - **A \$175 production fee - due upon your acceptance**

- **Players: Rising 2nd-7th** **11 payments of \$317 (starts in July)**
- Receive Full Year Discount: Pay in (1) installment of \$3243 by check ONLY by July 1st
- Includes: 5 hrs of Instruction weekly (Classes and Rehearsals), 2 weekend rehearsals per semester, 2 Productions per year and a complimentary MTC uniform t-shirt
 - **A \$225 production fee - due upon your acceptance**

- **Jr. Company: Rising 4th-9th** **11 payments of \$451 (starts in July)**
- Receive Full Year Discount: Pay in (1) installment of \$4614 by check ONLY by July 1st
- Includes: 7.5 hrs of Instruction weekly (Classes and Rehearsals), 2 weekend rehearsals per semester, 2 Productions per year and a complimentary MTC uniform t-shirt
 - **A \$275 production fee- due upon your acceptance**

- **Sr. Company: Rising 8th-12th** **11 payments of \$520 (starts in July)**
- Receive Full Year Discount: Pay in (1) installment of \$5319 by check ONLY by July 1st
- Includes: 8 hrs of Instruction weekly (Classes and Rehearsals), unlimited supplemental classes, 2 weekend rehearsals per semester, 2 Productions per year and a complimentary MTC uniform t-shirt
 - **A \$275 production fee due upon your acceptance**

Yearly Commitment to Troupe

- Accepting a spot in Troupe means students honor their commitment and attend all rehearsals for the entire 2024-2025 season.
- All weekly rehearsals, classes, tech week rehearsals and performances are 100% mandatory, as well as additional weekend rehearsals for the entire academic school year

FAQ: Tech week= the whole week leading up to their production

- If a student drops out mid-year, the family is expected to pay the full year's tuition, and we do not offer refunds.
- MTC reserves the right to remove a student, with or without probation, from Troupe and/or their role if they do not follow the policies and rules detailed in the Troupe Students Code of Conduct given out at the beginning of the school year.

FAQ: We will notify you of your weekly schedule once finalized- by mid-summer

Volunteering - MTC is a non-profit: we thrive from the help of volunteers and donors

- Hours required yearly: Showstoppers: 10 hrs, Players- 14 hrs, Jr. Co- 16 hours & Sr. Co 18 hours
 - Families can pay an “opt-out fee” of \$30 an hour
- Each family is also required to help with setting up or taking down 1 set during the year

Scholarships

- There are a limited number of “Need and Merit”- based scholarships (partial and full) available.
- **Applications are sent upon your request**, and the MTC Non-Profit 501(c)3 Board determines the amount of each scholarship.
- Recipients of scholarships must be fully committed to participating in the FULL year of Troupe, including all (possible trips) (cost not included in tuition) and performances.

FAQ: When to apply: after receiving an email that your child was placed in a troupe

Preparing for Auditions

Auditions

1. Students will be placed in groups of like-aged students
2. Each student will sing separately, in a room without other students. Upon entering the room, **have the student practice telling the judges:** “Name, age, and rising grade” (Hello my name is Jane Doe and I am 17 years old and a rising senior in high school, and I am singing...)
3. Learn a short dance combination with your audition group that is about 30 seconds

What to Wear: if you do not own the dance attire, don't purchase, wear an alternative

- Jazz or yoga pants, dance shoes (or barefoot), girls: leotards (alternative: fitted tanktop), boys: white fitted shirt and bike shorts or jazz pants
 - Hair up in a polished bun. If too short, pin off their face (boys, too) and no jewelry

Rising 4th-12th	<input type="checkbox"/> Memorize a 30-second monologue* (samples) <input type="checkbox"/> 30 seconds to 1 min cut of any musical theater song* (not pop tune)- <input type="checkbox"/> Find a karaoke track without vocals and send to troupemtc@gmail.com by April 23 Can be either a Youtube link, dropbox link or MP3 File
Rising K-3rd:	<input type="checkbox"/> Need to prepare <u>ONE</u> song which you select from the LIST HERE <input type="checkbox"/> Practice as often as possible with the music <u>without</u> vocals. Memorize the lyrics and practice the way they will present the song (without the vocal track) <input type="checkbox"/> Send an email to troupemtc@gmail.com with what song your child chooses by ____

***Monologue:** a long speech by one actor. You can find in scripts, books, Google, or at the link provided above

***Songs:** do **NOT** practice a capella, it's best to practice with the singer on the track **AND** the track that does not have vocals- students are scored on tempo, pitch, stage presence, volume and more