

AHM YOUTH SERVICES, INC.
SUMMER YOUTH THEATER 2016
STUDENT CONTRACT AGREEMENT

Keep this sheet for reference.

As a member of the AHM Summer Youth Theater, I understand that I am responsible for the following:

1. To be present at AND arrive on time to all rehearsals that I am called for (Monday through Thursday evenings beginning June 13 and all dress rehearsals (July 18, 19, 20) and all performances (July 21, 22, 23). Performance absences ARE NOT permitted. A rehearsal schedule will be distributed at the first rehearsal. **First rehearsal, on Monday, June 13 will be from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. All other regular rehearsals are scheduled between 6:00-9:00 pm. (6:00-10:00 during tech week) at the RHAM High School Auditorium.**
2. To arrange for transportation home which will arrive promptly at the given rehearsal dismissal time.
3. To follow rules of rehearsal absence:
 - To be at all rehearsals I am called to. (Most students are not called to every rehearsal until the last three weeks of the program. Excused absences due to illness or family emergency are obtained by calling Ms. Meade at AHM Youth Services (228-9488), leaving a message with secretary if necessary, or sending an email to AHMSYT@ahmyouth.org. This should be in case of illness or family emergency only.
 - Non-excused absences (not showing up/no communication) will cause us to question your commitment to the program and impact your participation. If you wake up ill on the day of rehearsal, you may call in for an excused absence. Absences at any dress rehearsals will not be allowed.
 - Any exception to the rules must be cleared with Ms. Meade, SYT Director, prior to June 9, submitted in writing. It is essential that this be done in order to assure maximum participation.
 - Understand that if you are absent from a rehearsal, you risk the possibility of losing a part in a particular scene, song, or dance which will be weighted to the degree the absence impacts the SYT community.
4. To care for my script or play part. These are rented scripts, so those receiving a script must place down a \$20 deposit in check form which will be refunded **IN FULL** when script is returned on time (no later than July 20 –final dress rehearsal) and in good condition with all pencil marks erased. You will be alerted to the need for deposit on the first rehearsal.
5. To take care of costumes and other materials as well as myself during the summer. No sun burns or reckless behavior that will interfere with my participation in the program.
6. To send in workshop fee of \$200.00 and contract signature by June 14th. **No youth is ever denied participation due to inability to pay the workshop fee.** Scholarship application forms are available by calling AHM at 228-9488.
7. To be prepared for rehearsals and have an excellent attitude and to understand that I am part of a special community. I will follow the rules of conduct explained at the first rehearsal, and I understand that if my behavior is unacceptable, I will be asked to leave the workshop and will **not** have my fee refunded.
8. To demonstrate that I have read this by wearing something *blue* to the first rehearsal on June 13th. (Really!)

FOR THE PARENTS: Though there is a workshop fee for participation in Summer Youth Theater, the fee is kept modest to make sure the program is accessible to all students in the tri-town area. We have been able to keep the fee low, due in part to the help we have had from parent volunteers. Please look at the volunteer forms in your child's folder after the first rehearsal and sign up to help where you can. Thank you.

TAKE THIS PACKET HOME AND SHARE WITH YOUR PARENTS

QUICK FACT SHEET

FIRST, IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME TRYING OUT OR JOINING THIS PROGRAM, I WELCOME YOU TO THIS COMMUNITY. RELAX TODAY AND HAVE FUN. EVERYONE GETS A PART ON STAGE - EITHER CHORUS, SMALL ENSEMBLE, OR LEAD - THERE ARE NO CUTS – EVER! IF YOU ARE HERE, YOU ARE ALREADY AN ACTOR. THIS AUDITION IS TO HELP ASSIGN PARTS.

PLEASE WRITE NEATLY ON ALL FORMS. IF WE DON'T HAVE A READABLE EMAIL CONTACT ADDRESS WE WILL HAVE TROUBLE CONTACTING YOU.

SHOW IS *LI'L ABNER* AND SHOW DATES ARE JULY 21, 22, AND 23.

FIRST REHEARSAL IS THURSDAY JUNE 13TH FROM 6-8:00 P.M. HERE AT RHAM.

PARTS WILL BE ASSIGNED AT THE FIRST REHEARSAL.

IF WE FEEL THE NEED TO HOLD A CALL BACK AUDITION, IT WILL BE ON THE EVENING OF MAY 31 AT AHM. YOU WILL BE CONTACTED BY PHONE OR EMAIL IF YOU WILL BE NEEDED AT THAT AUDITION.

IT IS LIKELY THAT YOU WILL ONLY BE CALLED TO 2-3 REHEARSALS A WEEK DURING THOSE FIRST FEW WEEKS AS I LIKE TO GIVE YOU SOME TIME TO CHILL BEFORE WE GET INTO THE NITTY GRITTY OF THE HEAVY REHEARSALS.

AT THE FIRST REHEARSAL, YOU WILL GET A REHEARSAL SCHEDULE THAT WILL SPAN ABOUT TWO WEEKS. AFTER THOSE TWO WEEKS, YOU WILL GET ONE FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS OR FOR THE REST OF THE PROGRAM, DEPENDING ON HOW BRILLIANTLY WE ARE PERFORMING AT THAT POINT.

BE SURE TO READ THE FULL CONTRACT FORM ON THE BACK OF THIS SHEET AND HAVE YOU AND YOUR PARENTS SIGN THE ATTACHED SIGNATURE PAGE AND FILL OUT THE REGISTRATION PAGE ON THE REVERSE OF THAT FORM. THESE NEED TO BE IN WITH THE PROGRAM PARTICIPATION FEE BY JUNE 14th.

NO YOUTH IS EVER DENIED PARTICIPATION BASED ON FINANCIAL NEED. THERE ARE PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE AND FORMS FOR THOSE CAN BE OBTAINED AT AHM YOUTH SERVICES.

CONTACTS: AHM (860) 228-9488

Best way to contact- email: AHMSYT@ahmyouth.org