

HTS Drama Club Juniors

"Finding Nemo, Jr." Information Sheet

Please complete the following form by Friday October 6, 2023 for students in 3rd to 5th grades who are interested in joining the Holland Township School Drama Club. This year we will be performing the musical "Finding Nemo, Jr" on April 18 & 19 @ 7pm. The first rehearsal will be Monday, October 16th. Auditions will be October 23rd with callbacks on Thursday, October 26. Music clips and short scenes can be found at <https://www.mtishows.com/disneys-finding-nemo-jr> under the tab "Audition Central"

Rehearsals will be held every Monday from 3:10 pm to 4:30pm at the Middle School Auditorium. Starting the week of February 18th, rehearsals will be on Mondays and Thursday. Below is the schedule for all, however once given a role your child may or may not be needed on specific days. All rehearsals are closed. Dress Rehearsals and Performances are mandatory for all. If a student has 3 or more unexcused absences from rehearsals, they may be dismissed from the club.

***Cast members must be able to commit to the schedule. Dress Rehearsals and Performances are mandatory. Students who can not commit to these dates may be dismissed from the club. Please review all dates before committing. **

Please Direct Any Questions to Mr. Matt Bigelli at htsdramaclub@hollandschool.org

Holland Township School Drama Club's Finding Nemo, Jr Schedule 2023-2024

Most rehearsals are every Monday from 3-4:30 pm in the MS Auditorium Room at the Middle School. Starting the week of February 18th, rehearsals will be on Mondays and Thursday. Rehearsal will go later closer to showtime. All rehearsals are closed unless designated as a chaperone.

***Dates are tentative and can change at any time.**

October 16, 2023 3:10-4:30
October 23, 2023 3:10-5:00 (Auditions)
October 26, 2023 3:10-5:00 (Callbacks)
October 30, 2023 3:10-4:30
November 6, 2023 3:10-4:30
November 13, 2023 3:10-4:30
November 20, 2023 3:10-4:30
December 4, 2023 3:10-4:30
December 14, 2023 3:10-4:30
December 18, 2023 3:10-4:30
January 8, 2024 3:10-4:30
January 22, 2024 3:10-4:30
January 29, 2024 3:10-4:30

February 12, 2024 3:10-4:30
February 15, 2024 3:10-4:30
February 22, 2024 3:10-4:30
February 26, 2024 3:10-4:30
February 29, 2024 3:10-4:30
March 4, 2024 3:10-4:30
March 7, 2024 3:10-4:30
March 11, 2024 3:10-4:30
March 14, 2024 3:10-4:30
March 18, 2024 3:10-4:30
March 21, 2024 3:10-4:30
March 25, 2024 3:10-4:30

ALL CAST MEMBERS AT REHEARSAL FROM HERE ON OUT

All Dress Rehearsals and Shows are Mandatory. No excused absences after this point.

April 8, 2024 3:10-5:00 (Dress Rehearsal)
April 11, 2024 3:10-5:00 (Dress Rehearsal)
April 15, 2024 3:10-5:00 (Dress Rehearsal)
April 16, 2024 3:10-5:00 (Dress Rehearsal)
April 17, 2024 3:10-5:00 (Dress Rehearsal)

April 18, 2024 Call Time 6 pm Show at 7 (performance)
April 19, 2024 Call Time 6 pm Show at 7 (performance)

**Please return the Finding Nemo Audition Packet
to Mr. Bigelli by October 6, 2023.**

HTS Drama Club Juniors "Finding Nemo, Jr" Audition Packet (due October 6, 2023)

* Indicates required question

1. Name of Student (First and Last Name) *

2. Grade Level *

Mark only one oval.

3rd

4th

5th

3. Homeroom Teacher *

4. Names of parents/guardians *

5. Email *

6. Secondary Email

7. Phone number (primary) *

8. Phone number (secondary) *

9. Address *

10. Please list any student medical conditions that should be noted. *

11. Conflicts- If your child has any conflicts with the rehearsal schedule, please list *
them below. This will help us with scheduling. If there is a conflict with a show or
tech days, the student should not commit to the program.

12. Check Parts Interested in Playing (Note- Please see broadwayjr.com for descriptions of characters and become familiar with the songs. Students will have an opportunity to sing or read for a role at the first rehearsal). *

Check all that apply.

- Marlin - a good clownfish father who wants what's best for his son. Throughout the play, he learns to "go with the flow" and trust in others
- Nemo - a clownfish who's full of wonder and awe at this "big blue world," which sometimes lands him in to trouble
- Coral - a down-to-earth clownfish who's ready to be a mother, protecting her kids at any cost
- Pearl - an excitable octopus student in Nemo's class
- Sheldon - an H2O intolerant seahorse student in Nemo's class with an appetite for trouble
- Tad - an obnoxious butterflyfish student in Nemo's class
- Professor Ray - Nemo's teacher, a wise manta ray who loves his job
- Dory - a blue tang with short term memory loss who helps Marlin find Nemo
- Bruce - a shark who's finding it hard to stay vegetarian; the leader of the friend group
- Chum - a shark in Bruce's program. He's trying his best, but his best isn't that great; the brawns of the friend group
- Anchor - a shark in Bruce's program. A loyal and devout vegetarian; the brains of the friend group
- Bubbles - a friendly yellow tang who loves bubbles
- Bloat - an open-minded and supportive blowfish
- Gurgle - a nervous royal gramma fish who values order and cleanliness
- Peach - a starfish who offers guidance and reassurance
- Gill - the leader of the Tank Gang who will stop at nothing to return to the ocean
- Nigel - a friendly pelican who knows all the happenings on the Sydney Pier
- Crush - a laid-back, 150-year-old sea turtle
- Kai - Crush's friend who's rambunctious and playful
- Breeze - Crush's friend who's chill and zen
- Squirt - Crush's fearless kid
- Scuba Diver Dancer - floats the diver's mask that leads Dory and Marlin to Nemo
- Featured Ensemble - includes jellyfish, moonfish, lobsters, octopuses, lobsters, sharks, turtles, and more!

13. List any previous performing experience (dance, acting, singing, instrument, etc.) *

14. Board Approved Parent Volunteers are essential for a successful musical production. Please check off areas you are interested in. *

Check all that apply.

- Ticket Coordinator (Collects, Records, and Distributes Pre-Show Ticket Sales)
- Stage Parent/Chaperoning Major Rehearsals and Shows
- Ticket Sales at the Door
- Costumes-Finding, Making, Coordinating
- Set Construction
- Props (Finding or Making)
- Usher
- T-shirt Fundraiser (Design, Collect \$, and Order)
- Concessions Volunteer (Sell goods at show)
- Set Tear Down (After final show)
- Program Design and Advertisement
- Organize Prop Making Craft for Students
- Fundraising

15. T-shirt Size of Child *

Mark only one oval.

- XS child
- S child
- M child
- L child
- XL child
- Adult S
- Adult M
- Adult L
- Adult XL

16. Parents, by checking this box you give your child permission to attend rehearsals *
at the school according to the schedule.

Check all that apply.

Yes

17. Parents, by checking this box you give us permission to take photos of your child *
during rehearsals and performances to use for social media and publicity.

Check all that apply.

Yes

No

18. By checking this box, I agree that my child will need to provide basic items that *
will be used as their base costume. More information will be given once the show
has been cast.

Check all that apply.

Yes

**HTS Drama Club
Behavior Expectations Contract**

Thank you for signing up for HTS Drama Club. In order for this club to be fun and rewarding for all, it is important that students follow the behavior expectations befitting a Holland Township student.

Students are expected to follow all school rules. Clubs are viewed as an extension of school and should be given the same respect for the rules applied during school. Students are also expected to follow any additional rules that the instructors feel are important to the success of the club.

These will include, but are not limited to:

- Be respectful to one another (instructors, volunteers, students) during club rehearsals.
- Create an environment of trust and support for all members.
- Remain quiet and be attentive when instructors, other students, or volunteers are speaking.
- Always laugh WITH each other, NOT at each other.
- Clean-up after yourself and assist in the clean-up of our club space.

Being disruptive to the learning environment will first receive a verbal warning, a second written warning to be signed by their parents, would follow. If the behavior(s) continues after that, the student will not be allowed to participate further in the production. Administration has the authority to remove any students that are not following the district's academics and code of conduct policies.

Please note! Be respectful of the directors and make sure you are on time picking your child up. If a parent is late picking up their child, this will count as a strike towards their child.

Parents/Guardians are expected to support their child in upholding the rules.

HTS Drama Club program is a wonderful opportunity to not only have fun, but to learn and grow for all those involved!

Being at designated rehearsals is critical to a successful show. I have looked at the schedule. My child can commit to the dress rehearsals, tech week (final week of rehearsals), and all shows. I will notify Mr. Bigelli of all rehearsal absences in advance via email or note. I recognize that my child may not be in a musical number if absent for their rehearsal time. Drama Club is a school sponsored organization and all school rules in the code of conduct will be followed. By checking this box, I agree to these conditions. Violation may result in expulsion from the club.

I agree to follow all school and club rules and to act like a responsible, respectful Holland Township School student.

I agree to support my child in their endeavors by encouraging behavior.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

HTS Drama Club Junior Production

Parent Meeting
Monday, September 18, 2023

Welcome

- Staff Introductions
- How Do You Contact The Staff?
- Where Can I Find Drama Club Information?
- What Can The Performing Arts Do For Your Child?
- Junior Show
- Actor's Expectations
- Parent Expectations
- Committees

HTS Drama Club

- **Matt Bigelli**
 - Director, Musical Director, Choreographer
- **Melissa Bigelli**
 - Assistant Director, Costumer, Choreographer, Artistic Mastermind
- **Kayla Qualteria**
 - Assistant Director, Choreographer

Even though there are instructors in charge of the program, we can't do it alone!

How Do You Contact The Staff?

- Email Us!
 - htsdramaclub@hollandschool.org
 - This is best way for you to contact us so it doesn't get lost in our classroom communication.

Where Can I Find Drama Club Info?

- Google Site
 - <https://tinyurl.com/2x4x2v3c>

What Can The Performing Arts Do For Your Child?

- Self-Confidence
- Oral Communication Skills
- Creative Problem Solving Abilities
- Motivation and Commitment
- Willingness to Work Cooperatively
- The Ability to Work Independently
- Time-budgeting Skills
- Initiative
- Promptness and Respect for Deadlines
- A Willingness to Accept Responsibility
- Leadership Skills
- The Ability to Learn Quickly--AND Correctly Respect for Colleagues and Authorities
- Adaptability and Flexibility
- The Ability to Work Under Pressure
- A Healthy Self-Image
- Acceptance of Disappointment--And Ability to Bounce Back
- Self-Discipline
- Concentration and Dedication
- Enjoyment--"This is Fun!"

Juniors Show 2023-2023



- Characters
 - There are over 34 roles in the show.
 - Some may be doubled. Additional may be added
 - Cast of Characters
- Music
 - Based on the stage production in Animal Kingdom
 - Big Blue World
 - Fish Are Friends Not Food
 - Just Keep Swimming
 - We Swim Together
 - And so much more

Juniors Show 2023-2023

- Rehearsals
 - Every Monday starting October 16 3:10-4:30 p.m.
 - Once the Pee Show is over, rehearsals will be on Mondays and Thursdays
 - Not everyone will be needed at every rehearsal. You will know the Friday before if your child is needed for the next week.
 - Tech Week Rehearsals- April 15-17
 - They are the week of the show and will most likely go until 5 or 5:30 pm
 - These are mandatory rehearsals. If your child isn't at a rehearsal, they won't be able to perform
 - Show Dates- April 18-19

Juniors Show 2023-2023

- Music
 - Will be taught by Mr. Bigelli, but students will need to practice at home.
 - Once a song is learned, it is expected to be memorized within the week.
- Blocking/Staging
 - Some scenes may be blocked on music days
 - If a scene is blocked, student will need to write down their blocking
 - Scene is to be memorized for the next time it is run by the directors
- Costumes
 - Students will be given a list of items that they will need to bring in from home
 - Costumes will be provided by the club with the help Mrs. Bigelli and parent volunteers
 - Students are responsible for their own costumes
 - Information will come out in January/February

Actor Expectations

- Be at rehearsals when they are suppose to be
- Come prepared to work
 - All materials in folder
 - Reviewed songs, dances, lines at home
- Be a team player
- Listens to the directors and other helpers
- Role Model for other students
- Classroom Performance
- Anti-Bullying Policy
- Three Strikes You're Out!
- Have Fun!

Parent Expectations

- Be on time when picking up your child
 - If you are late, that will count a strike towards your child.
- Be a team player
 - It takes a village to run this program.
 - If we ask for help, please try your best to help out.
 - More to come on next slide
- Listen to the directors and your child
 - They know what is going with the show.
 - Trust what they have to say. If you still are unsure about something, email us
- Role Model for students/parents

Committees

- Box Office
- Concessions
- Backstage
- Costumes
- Set Construction
- Painting
- Fundraising

Parent volunteers will have early access to ticket sales.

Any Questions?

Thank You!

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