



Dear Parents of Lower School Students Grades 1-4:

I am excited to announce the fall Lower School Musical will be *Annie KIDS*. All students in grades 1-4 are eligible and invited to participate.

Annie KIDS is a shortened version of the Tony Award winning musical *Annie*. Enclosed is information about the show, its characters, and rehearsal schedule and **the required permission form**.

Auditions will take place Wednesday, August 29 and Thursday, August 30 from 3:15 to 5:00 pm. 1st - 4th graders participating in *Annie KIDS* will meet in the Dining Hall after dismissal and go to the audition location as a group. All auditioning 1st - 4th graders must attend the first audition on Wednesday August 29! 1st graders **do not** attend auditions on Thursday, August 30.

Please return the permission form and costume fee of \$35.00 to the main office by August 29.

Annie KIDS will be performed Saturday, November 3 at 2pm in the Picotte Center for Athletics and Fine Arts Theater.

See you at the auditions and good luck!

Robert Sherman
Theater and Performing Arts Director

Annie KIDS

PERMISSION FORM

1st-4th Grade Students

Rehearsal/Audition Schedule:

ALL STUDENTS MEET IN THE DINING HALL AFTER DISMISSAL

Wednesday, August 29 | 3:15 pm to 4:45 pm

Thursday, August 30 | 3:15 pm to 5:00 pm

Tuesday, September 4 | 3:15 pm to 5:00 pm

Wednesday, September 5 | 3:20 to 4:45 Full Cast

Thursday, September 6 | 3:20 to 4:45 Full Cast

Remaining rehearsals in September will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 3:15 - 4:45

October will add Monday.

A specific schedule after September 7th will be available after actors are cast.

Saturday, October 27th 10am to 4pm will be a full cast rehearsal. **You must be available.**

Everyone who auditions will be in Annie KIDS. If you are willing to commit the time, we are committed to YOU!!

Participation in Annie KIDS is an agreement and understanding to:

- ACCEPT ANY PART IN THE SHOW...we are an ensemble of performers.
- Respect myself and each cast member. Bullying of any kind is *unacceptable!*
- Attend each rehearsal as scheduled.
- Attend the Saturday rehearsal on October 27th from 10am to 4pm.
- [Include a check for a costume fee of \\$35.00.](#)
- Return this form to the main office and \$35.00 by Wednesday, August 29, 2018

I. Student Information:

First Name:

Last Name:

Grade entering first trimester of 2018:

Unique talents or skills and previous participation in a play or musical:

Conflicts with the rehearsal schedule:

T-Shirt Size (check): Youth Small ___ Youth Medium ___ Youth Large ___

Adult Small ___ Adult Medium ___ Adult Large ___ Adult Extra Large ___

Medical condition/allergies (food or medicine):

II. Parent Information

Mother's Name :

Home phone:

Cell phone :

Work phone :

Email:

Father's Name :

Home phone:

Mobile phone:

Work phone:

Email:

If parents cannot be reached, contact the following in the event of an emergency:

Name:

Phone:

Relationship:

Submitting this form is an agreement and understanding on the part of parents and students participating in Annie KIDS.

Annie KIDS

characters

Annie

Molly

Pepper

Duffy

July

Tessie

Kate

Orphans

Miss Hannigan

Bundles

Apple Seller

Sandy

Lt. Ward

Rooster Hannigan

Lily St. Regis

Grace Farrell

Oliver Warbucks

Drake

Servants

Star(s)-to-Be

Usherette

New Yorkers

Bert Healy

President Franklin D. Roosevelt

Louis Howe

Annie KIDS

plot synopsis

The scene opens on a morning in early December 1933. The **ORPHANS**, including **MOLLY, KATE, TESSIE, PEPPER, JULY,** and **DUFFY** are sleeping in the girl's annex of the New York City Municipal Orphanage. Molly is just waking up from a dream and crying out for her mother. The other orphans wake up and begin arguing. **ANNIE**, who is eleven, comforts Molly who begs her to read a note that Annie's parents left when they abandoned her. Pepper reminds the group that they also left Annie one-half of a silver locket and kept the other half with a promise to reclaim her one day. Annie pulls Molly close and sings about the parents she imagines but has never known. The other Orphans join her (*Maybe*). Thinking about her parents inspires Annie to run away from the orphanage and search for them. She packs a bag and starts to leave when the villainous director of the orphanage, **MISS HANNIGAN**, discovers her. Miss Hannigan makes all the Orphans get up to scrub floors and strip beds to "pay" for Annie's misbehavior. As they clean, they complain about the difficult circumstances (*It's the Hard-Knock Life*).

In the morning, **BUNDLES**, the laundry man, comes to make a pick-up from the orphanage. As Bundles is talking, Annie sneaks into the laundry bag.

Annie is on the streets of NYC when she encounters a stray dog being chased by dogcatchers. She rescues him and expresses her feelings that everything will be fine in the future (*Tomorrow*). When **LT. WARD**, makes her prove the mutt is her dog, she names him **SANDY** on the spot and calls the dog to come to her.

Back at the orphanage, Miss Hannigan expresses her disgust with her lot in life (*Little Girls*). Lt. Ward returns with Annie. As Miss Hannigan is threatening Annie, **GRACE FARRELL** arrives at the orphanage to tell Ms. Hannigan that **OLIVER WARBUCKS** wants to invite an orphan to his mansion for Christmas. Grace leaves just as Miss Hannigan's brother **ROOSTER HANNIGAN** arrives with his girlfriend, **LILY ST. REGIS**. She shares the news of Annie's pending holiday visit with Warbucks. Rooster, Miss Hannigan and Lily lament their misfortunes (*Easy Street*).

Grace brings Annie to the Warbucks's mansion and introduces her to the **SERVANTS**. Annie is in awe of her new surroundings and she is made to feel completely welcome by **DRAKE** and the staff.

As she tours New York City with Warbucks and Grace, she sees the city in a new way (*N.Y.C.*). Back at the mansion, Warbucks explains that he would like to adopt Annie. Instead of a happy response, Annie begins to cry. When he learns about her dream of finding her parents and the secret of the half-locket, he professes to search for Annie's parents.

Annie and Warbucks are guests on the **BERT HEALY** radio show, "Hour of Smiles." They make a plea for Annie's parents to return and Warbucks offers \$50,000 to anyone who can prove they are her mother and father. The Orphans are listening to Bert Healy's radio show and sing their own version of the radio theme (*You're Never Fully Dressed Without a Smile*).

Back at the mansion, Grace has interviewed more than a thousand people claiming to be Annie's parents, but none of them know about the locket. Warbucks declares his intent to adopt Annie, and Annie accepts.

Drake leads in Rooster and Lily, disguised as Ralph and Shirley Mudge. They appear with the other half of the locket and the birth certificate and announce their intentions to take Annie home to live with them in New Jersey. Warbucks convinces them to let Annie spend Christmas with him at the mansion. They may pick up Annie and the check the next day. Grace confesses to Warbucks she believes she has seen Mr. Mudge before.

The next morning, Annie waits apprehensively for the Mudges to claim her (*Maybe - Reprise*). **PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT** arrives with the news that the FBI has revealed Annie's real parents were named David and Margaret Bennett, and they passed away a long time ago. The Mudges are imposters. As Miss Hannigan arrives with the Orphans to celebrate Christmas, Warbucks uncovers the Mudge's true identities. **LOUIS HOWE**, the president's aide, hauls off Rooster, Lily and Miss Hannigan. Roosevelt declares that this Christmas is going to be the beginning of a wonderful new life - "A New Deal" (*Tomorrow - Reprise*).