

CS Players Student Expectations

- I. The purpose of CS Players is to provide training and education for students wanting to learn and experience a deeper understanding of Theatre. Students interested in CS Players should show a commitment to theatre and strive to improve their own abilities through hard work and dedication. The goal of CS Players is to provide students with performance opportunities inside and outside of our studio; to motivate, to challenge, and enrich their artistic education.

Students in 6th through 12th grades are eligible to audition.

In addition to CS Players classes, students must be enrolled in their regular theatre class; a music class – either individual voice lesson, or group voice lesson; the CS Players Musical Theatre dance class if not already enrolled in another dance class; two (out of 4) elective theatre classes; and participate in at least one CS Musical theatre performance and the Children's Theatre Tour.

- II. The attitude of a member of CS Players is of the utmost importance. A higher level of drive and effort will be expected of CS Players. Students must be willing to put in extra effort to excel and progress. Focus and concentration during class and rehearsals is mandatory. Distracting behaviors to the teachers and other students will not be tolerated in CS Players.

A positive attitude is a must! Negative comments about oneself or other students will NOT be tolerated. CS Players and their parents are expected to support and encourage each other. Students will experience disappointment in theatre; whether in auditions or rehearsals and it is imperative that all CS Players learn to support each other through this.

- III. Regular and consistent attendance is required in all weekly classes and rehearsals. There will be no tolerance for unexcused or excessive absences. *Five unexcused absences (not cleared with the instructor before the missed class) could result in removal from the program.* As class time will be used for rehearsals as well, individual attendance affects all CS Players. Additional mandatory rehearsals will be called closer to performances. Every effort will be made to accommodate schedules, but please communicate conflicts prior to scheduling of rehearsals.

The Children's Theatre Tour may include a "camp" in early August.

IV. Performing and watching theatre is the best way for students to learn and improve. As a member of CS Players, students have the opportunity to and are expected to perform in our Children's Theatre Show Tour in the fall. We will craft a performance in our CS Player's weekly class, then tour the show to local elementary schools! Additionally, in the spring we will take a short trip to Kansas City for our Kansas City Theatre Experience Weekend! On this trip we will take master classes from KC's finest actors, directors, and others. We will also see a touring Broadway production and a local KC Theatre performance.

Throughout the year, CS Players will perform for community events and organizations. Participation in these performances is expected.

CS Players are expected to audition and participate in at least one Center Stage musical theatre performance.

Other performance opportunities and auditions will be shared with the students. Students are encouraged to take advantage of all performance opportunities.

V. Outline of Financial Commitment for CS Players:

Regular Theatre Class: Theatre 3 or 4	(2023/24 tuition cost: \$68/month)*
Music Class: Individual Lesson or Group Voice Class	(2023/24 tuition cost: \$23 per private weekly lesson-\$58/month for Group Voice class)
CS Players Weekly Class	(2023/24 tuition cost: \$90/month)*
CS Players Musical Theatre Dance Class	(2023/24 tuition cost: \$45/month)*
Theatre Electives (minimum of 2)	(2023/24 cost: \$69 per 6-week session)
CS Theatre Musical Performance (min of 1)	(2023/24 production fee: \$180-\$300)
Children's Theatre Show Tour (Players class tuition will cover the cost of extra rehearsal time needed to prepare for the tour.)	Approximately \$150-\$200 to cover production fees & costumes. (Split into 10 equal payments Aug-May)
KC Theatre Experience Weekend	Approximately \$300 for show tickets, masterclass fees, tours & lodging. (Students will be responsible for their own food costs.)

* 10% Discount on each additional class. Discounts apply for multiple classes PER STUDENT. Private lessons, session/semester classes and group music lessons are not included in multi-class discounts.

* Tuition/costs have not yet been determined for the 2024/25 year.

In closing, thank you for your interest in CS Players. We are excited to provide this opportunity for students who want to challenge themselves to learn more and dig deeper into Theatre. We look forward to a fun, creative season!

If you have any further questions regarding CS Players, please send an email to the theatre director at asheymac122@gmail.com with CS Players in the subject line.