

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ADULT PARTICIPANTS

FEES

There is no production fee for adult actors. However, adult actors are expected to contribute volunteer hours outside of scheduled rehearsals and to actively assist with selling ads and sponsorships. These efforts help offset the significant costs of producing the show. Outside of ticket sales, ad and sponsorship sales are our only source of production income.

Each cast member will be responsible for purchasing their footwear, leotards, tights, makeup, hair products/accessories, and wigs as needed.

Footwear requirements will be assigned based on your character. **Please do not purchase shoes until you receive specific style and color instructions from the director.**

Additional Expenses (most are optional):

- Merchandise (cast t-shirts, sweatpants, bags, etc.)
- Show tickets
- Cast party
- Costume accessories, shoes, wigs, leotards, and tights (**required**)

Dream Arts Company (DACO) productions primarily serve young performers, with the majority of cast members being 18 years old or younger. As such, the **educational elements of our program and the safety and care of our minors are our highest priorities** during the production process.

Adult participants are expected to uphold the following guidelines:

- **Professional Conduct:**
Adults must interact with **all cast members** in a respectful, professional, and appropriate manner. We are committed to fostering a supportive, inclusive environment and expect adults to engage with the entire cast—not just a select group.

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- **Behavior Expectations:**

Adults may not use profanity, discuss mature or inappropriate topics, smoke, or consume alcohol during any rehearsal, performance, or production-related event.

- **Campus and Backstage Access:**

Adults may not bring friends, family members, or significant others to rehearsals, backstage areas, or tech/performance spaces unless specifically approved by DACO staff.

- **Supervision and Minor Interaction:**

- Adults may not accompany minors off campus without **both written and verbal permission** from the minor's parent or guardian.
- Adults may never be alone with a minor in a rehearsal room, outdoor space, or any other area without a DACO staff member present.
- Adults are never allowed in a bathroom with a minor.
- If a minor is experiencing a medical emergency, adults should immediately enter the area, **keep the door open, call or yell for staff or a parent volunteer**, and assist the minor until official help arrives.

- **Health and Safety:**

Adults are expected to follow all COVID-19 protocols and testing requirements set forth by DACO.

- **Positive Community:**

A positive attitude is contagious and vital to the success of every DACO production. We appreciate and admire every adult's ability and willingness to audition and be part of our community.

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Background and Security Checks

Adult actors may be subject to background and security checks if cast in the production. **All fees associated with these checks, including professional fingerprinting if required, will be the responsibility of the adult actor.**

The safety and well-being of our youth participants is Dream Arts Company's top priority. We expect all adult participants to serve as positive examples of theater professionalism, leading with kindness, patience, and integrity throughout the production process.