



Dear cast, crew, and family of *Once Upon a Mattress*—School Edition,

Tech week for *Once Upon a Mattress* is just around the corner. We have a few important reminders to help your student succeed this week and to ensure we have the best show possible. Please read this email carefully.

### **Tips for Time Outside of Rehearsals**

We encourage parents and guardians to check in with their children.

- Do they know all their lines? Do they need help practicing their lines and reviewing their blocking?
- Stay hydrated! Theaters tend to be a bit dry—drink lots of water throughout the week.
- Get rest. No great performance is done when you are tired. Make sure to go to bed early and take care of your body.
- [Review all resource documents.](#)

Below is the remainder of our rehearsal schedule. Please mark dates and times in your calendar. Students are required to be at all Show Week rehearsals and performances. Please let us know in advance if there is a conflict.

During the Show Week rehearsals, we suggest students bring a large duffle bag or laundry basket to transport items with them for the day. This provides them with a space to store water, food, costume items, hair/makeup items, etc.

### **Show Week Schedule**

*\*Students are excused from other MoCo classes for tech rehearsals. Please let your teachers or the front desk know if you will be missing a different class.\**

Please note that, except for the show day (where we'll provide pizza), there are no formal dinner breaks. Actors should bring food and eat when not on stage.

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|                 | Rehearsal Schedule - Week 3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| Monday, 7/20    | 1:40 - 3:50 p.m. Class                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Tuesday, 7/21   | 1:40 - 3:50 p.m. Class                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Wednesday, 7/22 | 1:40 - 3:50 p.m. Class - <b>OFF BOOK DATE</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Thursday, 7/23  | 1:40 - 3:50 p.m. Class                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Friday, 7/24    | 1:40 - 3:50 p.m. Class                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Sunday, 7/26    | <b>PERFORMANCE AT UCC - call 9:00 a.m., performance at 10:00 a.m.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|                 | Rehearsal Schedule - Week 4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Monday, 7/27    | 1:40 - 3:50 p.m. Class                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Tuesday, 7/28   | 1:40 - 3:50 p.m. Tech Rehearsal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Wednesday, 7/29 | 1:40 - 3:50 p.m. Dress Rehearsal                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Thursday, 7/30  | <b>FESTIVAL DAY EXTRAVAGANZA AT THE COLONIAL—We will be performing a couple of scenes and/or songs.</b>                                                                                                                                                        |
| Friday, 7/31    | 10:15-10:55 a.m. Class<br><b>EARLY CAMP DISMISSAL at 1:00 p.m. for campers NOT in the One Act Sr.</b>                                                                                                                                                          |
| Saturday, 8/1   | <b>CALL TIME 11:00 a.m.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 12:00 p.m. Final dress rehearsal</li> <li>- 1:30 p.m. Lunch Break</li> <li>- 3:00 p.m. Show #1</li> <li>- 4:00 p.m. Dinner Break (pizza provided)</li> <li>- 6:00 p.m. Show #2</li> </ul> |

## Costumes

Please bring in all the requested costume pieces on Wednesday, 7/29. This way, if anything is missing, we can help look for the remaining costume pieces. Our costumer has talked to the actors and told them all what they should be bringing.

- All actors should come with loose-fitting clothing that is easy to remove from Thursday through Sunday.

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- We recommend that actors wear light-colored leotards or something close-fitting that they can wear comfortably under their costumes. This makes changing costumes faster and easier. Unless Shannon has already spoken to you specifically about your underclothing. Please let Shannon know immediately if you do not have something that will work.
- Actors playing male parts should bring men's dress shoes or black dance shoes. Actors playing female parts should wear low-heeled shoes, like character or jazz shoes. Please let Shannon know immediately (if you haven't already) if you need shoes for the show.

### **Hair/Makeup**

We will have minimal time to apply stage makeup and style hair; therefore, any preparation at home would be appreciated.

Actors playing male roles should have long hair pulled back into low buns or otherwise pulled out of the face. Actors playing female roles should have hair pulled back in a way that allows for hats to be worn. All actors should have a base layer, light blush, and lip color. More elaborate makeup can be done at the actor's discretion.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions and/or concerns.



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