

## Rehearsal Schedule for NEWSIES: What to Expect

### **Mandatory Parent Meeting MONDAY, November 20th 5:30pm (updated 11/22/23)**

- ★ General Rehearsal Time (M-F):
    - 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM (most common time slot - this does change)
  - ★ Pre-Winter Break (Three Weeks) Nov 27th until the start of Winter Break, Dec 15th
    - Some Cast will be learning music Nov 27th -Dec 8th (1st two weeks)
    - Not everyone will be called every day
    - Some rehearsal days before winter break may be shorter
  - ★ Dance Rehearsals for Principal Dancers - Dec 11th -15th (week before winter break)
    - Most cast members will not be called. Just dancers.
  - ★ **IMPORTANT** First Two Weeks After Winter Break (Jan 2 - Jan 12)
    - Attendance is vital for all "blocking" and character assignments
    - Extra parts and stage time determined in these 10 rehearsals
    - Limited stage time if absent during these crucial weeks
    - Being a principal cast character may not be feasible if you can't attend
  - ★ Main Rehearsals Jan 15th- Feb 2nd (we WILL rehearse the no school days)-Feb9
    - Movement, dance, and acting rehearsals in an order to be determined from 3:30-6:30pm, M-F, may change to 4-7 - watch the rehearsal calendar.
  - ★ Week before dress rehearsals (most time intensive and difficult week) Feb 12th-16th
    - Run-throughs with orchestra and putting it all together
    - These are the latest/longest rehearsals. Can be as late as 9:30pm
    - Elementary will be released by 8:30 & Middle schoolers can leave then also
  - ★ Dress / Technical Rehearsals Week (2/19, 20, 21):
    - 5 PM call (arrival) for makeup, vocal & physical warmups, costuming and makeup
    - 7 PM go/downbeat (start time) for rehearsal
    - Elementary and Middle School students are excused after their part in the run-through is complete.
    - Remaining cast stays to review rehearsal notes. Latest dismissal is 9:30 PM
  - ★ Opening Night! Thursday, February 22 at 7 PM
    - Actors have a 5 PM call
    - Performance duration varies
    - Total of 13 performances, including opening night
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Thurs Feb 22nd 7pm/5pm call</li><li>● Fri Feb 23rd 7pm/5pm call</li><li>● Sat Feb 24th 2pm &amp; 7pm/Noon call, stay all day (parents feed us lunch)</li><li>● Sun Feb 25th 2pm/5pm call</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Short Rehearsal (pickup) 3:30-5:30 Thurs Feb 29</li><li>● Fri Mar 1st 7pm/5pm call</li><li>● Sat Mar 2nd 2pm &amp; 7pm/Noon call, stay all day (parents feed us lunch)</li><li>● Sun Mar 3rd 2pm/5pm call</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Pickup Rehearsal 3:30-5:30 Thurs Mar 7th</li><li>● Fri Mar 8th 7pm/5pm call</li><li>● Sat Mar 9th 2pm &amp; 7pm/Noon call, stay all day (lunch is here)</li><li>● Sun Mar 10th 2pm/5pm call</li><li>● Cast Party after Strike following final performance. Done by 8:30</li></ul> |
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- ★ We hope this information helps you prepare for an amazing NEWSIES Production!