



AUDITION PACKET **YO, VIKINGS!**

Audition Dates

May 8 & 9 (High School); May 10 (Middle School)

Callbacks – May 11

Performance Dates

September 28 (7pm), 29 (9am), 30 (9am & 1pm)

What is *Yo Vikings* about?

Adapted from Judith Byron Schachner's acclaimed book of the same name, *Yo, Vikings!* is the mini-saga of 10-year-old Emma Katz, the fiercest Viking in Swarthmore, PA, and her quest for real adventure. *Yo, Vikings!* combines sweeping melodies, thrilling Viking chants, and funky rock 'n roll with a beautiful, heart-warming story to engage and excite every member of the family.

What roles are available?

MALE

- Mr. Sigurd – Library and an all around nice guy
- Bothvar – a sturdy fearsome Viking
- Sebby – a 5th grader, kind of nerdy (doubles as a Viking)
- Murphy – a 5th grader (doubles as a Viking)
- Gunther & Simon - Emma's classmates (doubles as a Vikings)

FEMALE

- Emma – 5th grader, precocious and outgoing
- Judy – Emma & Ollie's Mom
- Mrs. Mukherjee – Emma's 5th grade teacher, stickler for the rules
- Nikki – a 5th grade gossip "mean girl" (doubles as a Viking)
- Zinzi – a 5th grader (doubles as a Viking)
- Pasha & Phyllis – Emma's classmates (doubles as a Vikings)

EITHER GENDER

- Ollie – Emma's little brother, Kindergartener, has a lisp

Who may audition?

Any PHS student in good academic standing. I'd love to see new faces and new Princeton talent!

Where are auditions?

They will be held in multipurpose room (across from the stage).

What do I have to do for the audition?

1) Sing a song. It should only be 30 seconds to 1 minute long and should showcase your vocal chops. If you're not a great singer – **FAKE IT! YOU'RE AN ACTOR.** Act like you can sing!

Now, there's a couple things about songs you should also remember:

- Singing accapella doesn't cut it because it doesn't show that you can stay in key. For this play (b/c it has a click track) you should sing a karaoke version of a song off of youtube – nothing with a lead vocalist – I wanna hear you – NOT Beyoncé.
- Choose the best 30 seconds to 1 minute of the song. That means you know where your cutting begins.

- We will have a computer with speakers set up for youtube. You should email me the link (mfielder@vikingmail.org) ahead of time.

2) Read one of the following scenes that are in this packet. Develop a character so that when you read we can see you make some acting choices. I might ask you to re-read with a different choice – take the direction and try it. This shows me that you’re willing to try something different.

3) There will be no dance auditions for this play.

When are auditions?

Freshman, sophomore and juniors will audition Monday and Tuesday after school. Sign ups will be on the Princeton Theater area (underneath the main steps), if you don’t sign up – you still can come. If you can get a ride home please allow those who need to take the bus to sign up for that time slot. Callback list will be posted online (Princeton High School → Student Activities → Princeton Theater) May 10. Callbacks will be on Thursday, May 11 from 3:15-5. If you are not called back that doesn’t mean that you aren’t cast. Full cast list will be published online May 12 at 6pm. We will have a cast meeting Tuesday, May 16.

When are rehearsals?

There will be a read through of the script May 16. There will be 3-5 rehearsals over summer to discuss the script, characterization, and learn and stage 2 numbers. Rehearsals for this play when school resumes will be Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 3-5:30. Attendance at all rehearsals will be mandatory due to the small cast. Two absences will result in removal from the cast. This is a huge time commitment – Do not take it lightly. This is comparable to a sports team... the coach doesn’t just put someone without s/he putting in the work.

COST as defined by PRINCETON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BYLAWS AND POLICIES

6152.02 PAY-TO-PARTICIPATE PLAN

Students participating in athletics and/or extracurricular activities at Princeton Community Middle School and Princeton High School will be assessed a participation fee. At the completion of all team/activity rosters, students will be responsible for the payment of the assigned participation fee on a scheduled date designated by the school for each activity. No student who desires to participate in an interscholastic or extracurricular activity and who follows the defined rules and regulations shall be denied the opportunity to participate for financial reasons. In the case of financial hardship, a payment option plan may be arranged through the athletic/activities director. This request will be treated with the utmost confidentiality and serve as a request for financial assistance.

Students not meeting the payment period deadline date will be denied participation in the interscholastic athletic program or extracurricular activities.

Refunds will not be given after the payment deadline date. Additionally, refunds will not be given for the following reasons:

- a student quits an activity;
- a student is dismissed from an activity; or
- a student becomes academically ineligible during the course of the activity.

Payments:

Payments may be made through the high school main office, middle school main office or online through EZPay, Visa/Master Card/Discover or check made payable to Princeton City School District. Middle school and high school participation fees must be paid separately.

All questions regarding the Pay-to-Participate Plan may be directed to the Princeton Athletic/Activities Office, 513.864.1580.

Fee to Participate Structure

Family Cap: \$300

Additional costs for uniforms, uniform cleaning, materials and supplies will occur that are not covered by the pay-to-participate fee.

Extracurricular

Fall Play/Spring Musical \$100 (each activity)

(Crew members with no performance parts will not be charged the assigned fee.)

Unlimited involvement \$200 (for the school calendar year in drama and theater)

YO, VIKINGS! AUDITION FORM

Name		Grade Next Year	
Phone		What type of phone?	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Cellular <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Parent's Number
Personal Email		Hair Color	
Parent/ Guardian's Name		Height	
Parent's Email		Shirt color you are wearing	
Part Trying Out For		Will you accept any role?	Yes No

If not cast are you willing to work on any of the following crews? Check your top two:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Running Crew: Helps move the scenery during the show. | <input type="checkbox"/> Sound Crew: Runs the sound board (sound and music cues) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Costumes: Helps cast make fast changes; inventories all clothes after the show. | <input type="checkbox"/> Prop Crew: Assembles, stores and shops for properties used in the show. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Make-Up: Designs and applies make-up to cast. | <input type="checkbox"/> House: Helps with ticket sales, passing out programs, selling flowers/ candy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction Crew: Builds the set | <input type="checkbox"/> Assistant Director/Stage Manager: Helps the director and virtually runs the whole show during production. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Painting Crew: Paints the set | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lighting Crew: Lights the show and runs the board | |

After School Commitments (Include clubs, sports, etc.)

Conflicts between now and performance dates, include ALL SUMMER VACATION dates.

I give my permission to my son/daughter to audition for YO, VIKINGS! If cast I am aware there is a \$100 participation fee and my child will be required to abide by the rehearsal schedule and rules put forth by Princeton Theater.

Signature

date