

"...You cannot give students 21st Century skills such as critical and creative thinking without the arts. If we want kids to be able to think outside the box, if we want kids to be able to innovate, we need to expose them to art and artists. Exposure to the arts fulfills several needs. It obviously helps ensure we maintain our culture and create new artists. But it doesn't end there. People who have honed their artistic skills are more observant and are better able to find problems and find creative solutions. Incorporating the arts is also about making sure we have future business people, scientists, doctors and engineers too."

-huffingtonpost.com



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Mission and Vision "Performing Arts" Program

The mission of the *Performing Arts Program* is to provide students exposure to a variety of performing arts in a Catholic environment with the focus on developing creativity, ingenuity, empathy, leadership and innovation. The program focuses on drama, dance, music/voice and some media/set design. Students have the opportunity to build community partnerships and work with experts in the field.

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

The program will be based on the following curricula:

- Drama
- Dance
- Music
- Media

TOPICS of STUDY

- Vocal Production
- Theatre Makeup
- Set Design and Costuming
- Prop creation
- Music Appreciation
- Media/Sound
- Dance (Professional Instructor)
- Physical Movement

ACTIVITIES (may include)

- Theatre performances
- Guest performers
- Workshops:
 - Puppetry
 - Vocal
 - Movement
 - Set design
 - Dance
 - Circus
- Whole program retreats

The program culminates in a theatre production held in our school facilities.

Achieving success through creativity and collaboration

"Learning through the arts to develop creative problem solving skills"

PARTNERSHIPS

Festival Players, Citadel Theatre, Theatre Alberta, Grant MacEwan, Firefly Theatre. Many other arts professionals!

COSTS

***Fee for the program is \$400 for the year for grades 5&6 and \$600 for grades 7&8.** A non-refundable deposit of \$200 is due upon registration. The remaining program fees may be paid in full or a monthly payment plan via PowerSchool with payments made on the 15th of every month.

FEE INCLUDES

Program apparel, Bussing, Specialized/certified instructors, Activities and workshops

STUDENTS MUST

- Have good academic standing and proven ability to maintain their academic potential
- Be disciplined, dedicated, committed to improve
- Be highly motivated

INFORMATION

Open to grades 5- 8 for the 2023-2024 school year at OLPH and St. Theresa Middle Schools

- Available to French Immersion students, however instruction for the program will only be available in English
- All classes will be supervised by certified teachers
- Whenever possible professionals in the arts will be employed to conduct workshops

Please note: This program will only run if there is adequate enrolment, accompanied by the commitment deposit. *Pre-registrations begins on March 7, 2023. Registration begins on March 21, 2023, and closes on April 25, 2023. Registration for Gr. 4 students opens April 13, 2023. Classes will be capped at 30 students. Any subsequent students will be



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Please return the registration form to your school office.

***If you are a NEW registration to Elk Island Catholic Schools , you must also complete an online division registration at www.eics.ab.ca/parents-and-students/school-registration . To ensure you are registering in your boundary school, please consult the boundary map at www.eics.ab.ca/parents-and-students/**

STUDENT-PERFORMER INFORMATION:

PROGRAM ENTRANCE GRADE LEVEL: (Please circle) 5 6 7 8

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

Gender: (please circle) Male Female

Birth Date: (dd/mm/yyyy) _____

Permanent Home Address: _____

Town/City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Alternate phone: _____

Email address: _____

EDUCATION (SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING)

School Name: _____

School enrolled in for 2023-2024: École OLPH

Current Grade Level: _____

A \$200.00 Registration Deposit is required upon completion of this form by payment made through the Parent Portal to complete the registration. Deposit cheques will only be accepted for new students to EICS, no cash deposit will be accepted.

Withdrawal of your registration after May 26, 2023 will forfeit the \$200 deposit

***Additional program fees of \$200 (grades 5/6) or \$400 (grades 7/8) will be invoiced with school fees in September 2023.**

***Subject to board and ministerial approval**

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

***Program registration opens March 21, 2023**

****Registration deadline April 25, 2023 . Registrations may not be accepted past this date.**



Performing Arts Fee Contract

This contract is between:

_____ for _____
(Parent/Guardian Name responsible for school fees) (Student Name) (please print)
and Elk Island Catholic School Division

☐ Grade 5/6—Remaining Tuition payable for Performing Arts \$200.00

☐ Grade 7/8—Remaining Tuition payable for Performing Arts \$400.00

Payment options:

Please check the box of your chosen payment arrangement:

☐ **Payment in full, received on** _____
(date)

☐ **Monthly payment plan via parent PowerSchool account, with payments made on the 15th of every month from September 2023 to May 2024. Full payment must be completed no later than June 15th, 2024. Missed monthly payments may result in removal from the program.**

Contract Obligations are as follows:

- I agree to pay the financial obligation as listed above
- I agree that in the event that my child is absent from school, I am not entitled to reimbursement for days missed
- I agree that the school reserves the right to withdraw field trips from any child whose conduct/behaviour/academic responsibility is not deemed satisfactory by any teacher.
- I agree that I will be charged a \$25 NSF fee for each NSF cheque
- I agree that the school reserves the right to withdraw services should payment obligations not be met as listed above

I acknowledge and agree that I have read, understand and agree to the obligations listed in this contract

(Parent/Guardian printed name)

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date)



Student Contract for Success in Performing Arts

Congratulations on becoming a member of the Performing Arts program! Being a member of this program is a privilege and with privileges come responsibilities. As one of our Performing Arts students, we expect that students will comply with the following expectations and responsibilities. *Please check each box to indicate you have read the section:*

- ☐ **I will demonstrate citizenship and leadership in all classes.**
 - *This includes acting as leaders both outside and inside the school by demonstrating cooperation, respect for facilities being used, and responsible behavior at all times.*
- ☐ **I will not engage in destructive behavior, bullying, or verbal abuse of any kind.**
 - *This includes showing respect to all teachers, instructors, guest speakers. Behavior should not interfere with the learning opportunities of others.*
- ☐ **I will perform to the best of my abilities in all classes, both academic and Performing Arts.**
 - *You are a student first and a performer second. Failing to complete assignments, submit work, or maintaining a passing grade, indicates an inability to handle the load of being a Performing Arts student. If teachers are not satisfied that you are working to your potential, you may be removed from field trips and workshops until an improvement is shown.*
- ☐ **I will try my hardest and work to the best of my ability for each activity we try.**
 - *Some of the activities we try might be new to you and/or challenging. You are expected to come to each new activity with a positive and open attitude.*

I have read and understand this contract. I understand that not fulfilling my responsibilities, as listed in this contract, may result in missing out on field trips and other programming events.

Date: _____

Student Name (printed): _____

Student Signature: _____