

Sr. Play—Attendance and Tardy Policy & Expectations

When we have problems with attendance, tardiness, and students leaving rehearsals early, it costs us a tremendous amount of extra time and energy to catch everyone up. It hinders rehearsals and those who are at practice as expected.

Following are the expectations that were printed and given to students prior to auditions.

Expectations

- The senior play is a very complex and detailed process which involves many staff members, community coaches, and students. Organization and attendance in coordinating all of these elements of the play is crucial, and, therefore, everyone's adherence to his designated time and part is imperative. For things to proceed efficiently and us to cover as much as we do, you must be responsible to your part in the process. (Basically, you must do what you have to do when you are supposed to do it and how we ask you to do it.)
- ***Attendance at rehearsals is mandatory. It is absolutely mandatory that the actors attend each and every rehearsal for which they are needed.***
- Rehearsals will be scheduled at individuals' homes (with piano), at JCHS, and a few times at CNC Gentry Auditorium. It is your responsibility to get to and from rehearsals.
- The performances will be March ____, ____, and ____ at Carson-Newman College.
- In addition, each of the principal players will be required to have at least one parent or adult participate in a parent advisory council. This group will be responsible for publicity and aiding in the performances, cast party, costume pick-up, and related tasks. We will schedule a meeting at the first of November to give the adults opportunity to select responsibilities and to ask questions.
- The week prior to the performances and the week of the play are very intensive. Please be prepared.

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- Students have had calendars for rehearsals for 1 ½ months. In early October a calendar will be printed for September through March and distributed to students; therefore, there should be no conflicts with work or other activities.
- Students must contact Mrs. Hodge or Mr. Alder in case of an absence; simply sending a text saying you will not be available **is not ok**. Students will be allowed only two absences for the duration of the play (excluding documented medical excuses), and these must be cleared in advance with Mrs. Hodge or Mr. Alder. If a student exceeds two absences, he or she will be dismissed from the play cast.
- Leaving early or excessive tardiness will also be counted as an absence (the only exceptions to this will be those extra-curricular activities that were disclosed to the judges at the time of tryouts—these include basketball (only during practice time), football (through Oct only), baseball, cheerleading, Night of Patriots (only with pre-approval), 1 mock trial date (Nov.24), swimming (2 meets only). Work schedules and other activities should be scheduled around the calendar.