



# Camp JuMP Handbook

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## Camp Locations

**Scrapped:** 10624 Metromont Parkway Suite 302 Charlotte, NC 28269

**Broadway Jr:** 333 Jeremiah Blvd. Charlotte, NC 28262

## Mission Statement

Camp JuMP encourages students to use their talents and abilities in the arts for the glory of God, and strives to cultivate character and leadership growth. Our organization provides opportunities for students to explore their passion for the arts through theatre, dance, and set design in a safe, creative, and entertaining environment.

## Core Values

Leadership    Community    Creativity    Excellence

## Camp Hours

**Monday - Thursday:** 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Friday:** 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Cast party lunch is provided this day.

**Performances:** Friday 7:00 p.m., Saturday 2:00 p.m.

## Cast Resources

The Cast Resources page on our website has all of the materials your child will need to prepare for camp including rehearsal tracks, audition tracks, and the Quick Reference Guide. This webpage is password protected, and the password is provided in the registration confirmation email. The Quick Reference guide is an important resource, which includes details about camp dates, callbacks, and auditions specific to each camp year. **Please refer to this Handbook or the Quick Reference Guide before emailing us any camp questions.**

## Participant Eligibility

Scrapped is open to rising 2nd-9th graders. Broadway Jr. camps are open to rising 4th – 9th graders, and 3rd graders who have previously participated in Scrapped. In order to successfully cast the show, it is necessary to limit the number of 2nd and 3rd graders in each camp session so that each child can be cast in a role that is a good fit for them.

## Cost and Payment Schedule

Camp cost is \$350 per camper. A \$150 deposit is due at the time of registration and is nonrefundable. The \$200 balance is due and becomes non-refundable on April 11th. Payment plans are available upon request within the camp application. A \$20 late fee per camper will be assessed on any late payments. Failure to meet payment deadlines without communication or approval may result in the cancellation of your child's registration without refund.

## Auditions and Casting

All registered campers are guaranteed a spot in Camp JuMP and a role in the show. Auditions are mandatory for ALL CAMPERS for specific role casting, regardless of age, experience, or desired role. It is important that camper families make every effort to attend their week's group audition, because it allows us to convey important information to parents at the first-year-parent orientation, as well as to measure campers for costumes, see them read with other campers for certain roles, and just have a better quality audition in person. **Audition conflicts must be communicated at the time of registration in order for a video audition to be arranged.** No-shows for auditions may result in the cancellation of camp registration without refund.

All campers must choose and sing a designated audition track from the Cast Resources page on our website. Audition tracks are cuts of songs from the show. Both the vocal and instrumental versions of audition tracks will be available on the Cast Resources page, and campers will sing with the instrumental version at auditions. We strive to make auditions a fun part of the camp process, so we encourage campers to be themselves and have fun! All effort is made to publish the cast list within a week of auditions. All campers are expected to accept the role in which they are cast

## Audition Rotations

**Dance Audition** – The entire cast will learn a short dance combination from the show and perform it

**Campers will rotate in small groups through the following activities:**

- **Singing Audition** – Campers will sing their prepared audition track.
- **Acting Audition (Scrapped only)** – Campers will be given sides (short excerpts) from the script and asked to read them in small groups
- **Costume Measurements, Script and T-shirt Distribution**
- **Camp Name Tag Decorating Contest**

## Callbacks

Some campers may be invited to callbacks after auditions. Campers invited to callbacks may be asked to sing a different audition song, sing a specific callback cut, and/or read sides from the

script with other campers.

## Attendance

Regular attendance is vital to the production process, and commitment to attending all camp days and performances is a prerequisite for registration and camp participation. Failure to comply with this attendance policy may result in the cancellation of the camper's registration without refund. Each day we will encounter new material and progressively build the production throughout the week. Missing time at camp not only impacts the absent child's ability to learn the show but also unfairly hinders the rehearsal process of other cast members. We expect cast members to arrive on time and stay until dismissal each day. If your child is sick and unable to attend a day of camp, please contact us as soon as possible. It is extremely difficult to make up for lost rehearsal time, so cast members who miss rehearsal due to sickness may need to be removed from those parts of the show. Any camper who withdraws for any reason will be required to return their script and t-shirt if already distributed.

## Code of Conduct

We strive to create a positive, nurturing environment for all participants, and in order to do that we expect everyone at camp to abide by our JuMP Code as outlined below:

### JuMP Code

**Just Try** - We hope to push children out of their comfort zones, and let them try new things in a safe environment. We expect cast members to put forth their best effort (even though they may look a little silly, but in the theatre world, thinking you look silly means you are doing it right!). We consider every show a success where each cast member tried their best to learn their part and executed it to the best of their ability.

**Use Respect** - We expect that cast members are respectful to camp property, to other actors, and to the directors. This includes listening attentively to instructions, following directions, being quiet backstage, and taking care of sets, props, and costumes.

**Memorize** - We also expect cast members to come to camp prepared with their part memorized. The cast will have several weeks to learn their parts before the beginning of camp, and doing so will make the actual camp experience less stressful and more enjoyable for everyone. Camp is the opportunity to add dance, costumes, sets, props, and blocking (movement during acting parts). This part of the process is very fun for those who enjoy performing, and doing the hard work of memorizing words and songs in advance sets all of us up for a fun camp and a successful performance.

**Positive Attitude** - We expect that cast members approach camp each day with a positive attitude towards all camp activities.

## Behavior Management and Expectations

Camp JuMP wants to ensure that all cast members have a positive camp and performance experience in a safe environment. We focus on positive reinforcement to manage behavior. Setting clear expectations for appropriate behavior from cast members and parents sets the stage for successful behavior patterns at camp. In order to achieve our performance objectives within one week of camp, all participants must be able to participate fully in all group activities and follow directions of staff members.

Unkind or disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated. Violations of our JuMP Code will be addressed verbally, first with the child, and if necessary the parent, whose support is expected. If a child does not correct their problem attitude or behavior, they may be removed from a camp activity. Cast members who continue to exhibit problem behavior that has been addressed may be subject to dismissal from camp without refund at the discretion of our staff.

## **Mandatory First Year Parent Orientation**

In order to make sure parents are completely aware of all camp expectations, a mandatory first-year-parent orientation will be conducted during the first 30 minutes of each audition session. Returning parents are welcome to join as well.

## **Communication**

Email is the main way our team corresponds with parents. If you have a question or concern, please email [campjump.charlotte@gmail.com](mailto:campjump.charlotte@gmail.com). If you don't start seeing emails in your inbox, make sure that you first check your junk mail, then contact us ASAP so that you can stay informed. A daily JuMP Journal containing information about snack, costumes and other important things you need to know will be emailed after each full camp day.

## **Role Commitment**

In order to put on a show in one week, it is imperative that all cast members come to camp prepared with all of their songs, lines, and cues (when to say their lines) memorized. All participants will receive the cast list and their scripts at least 4 weeks before the first day of camp, which provides them with ample time to learn their parts. Cast members begin learning dances and blocking (where to go on stage) on the first day of camp, so it is crucial to the rehearsal process that everyone comes prepared. We have found this allows camp to flow a lot more smoothly.

## **Pre-Camp Workshop and Extra Rehearsals**

Because there is limited time to work one-on-one with soloists during camp, cast members with solos will be required to attend a Soloist Workshop before camp starts. These dates are communicated in the Quick Reference Guide and need to be kept available for campers auditioning for a solo role. Those cast in a main character role or an exceptionally difficult group dance may also be required to attend extra rehearsals before or during the camp week. Applicable times and attendees will be communicated as necessary after the show is cast.

## **Base Costume Items**

While Camp JuMP provides most costumes, cast members will be asked to provide a few foundational items. These items will be used to complement the provided costume and/or allow for costume changes backstage. Common base costume items include specific dance or regular shoes, certain colored t-shirt, tank top, undershorts, and pants, depending on your child's part in the show. These items will be communicated with the cast list and need to be brought to the first day of camp. We start costume fittings Monday morning and cannot

effectively conduct costume fittings without your child's base costume. We want every child to look their best on stage, and we do not have time to repeat costume fittings, so it is imperative that your child bring their complete base costume to camp on Monday morning.

## **Cell Phone Policy**

All cast members have a designated chair in which they may put their cell phone when they arrive at camp. Camper cell phones must live in these chairs except during dismissal time. We have this policy in order to foster face-to-face relationships, and so campers can support their fellow cast members during the rehearsal process. Apple Watches may become a part of this policy at staff discretion.

## **Color Groups**

Upon casting the show, cast members will be sorted into a color group based on their part. Color groups serve as an organizational unit to facilitate rotation through daily camp activities. Each color group will have a designated Junior Counselor.

## **Color Wars**

Color Wars is a fun, week-long competition between color groups that Camp JuMP uses to foster teamwork, positive behavior, and leadership skills. Throughout the week, each color group will compete to earn the most Color Beads to win Color Wars. Campers can earn Color Beads through exhibiting honorable character traits, setting a good example, completing leadership challenges, encouraging others, etc. Campers can also earn Color Beads by completing Leadership Challenges, which are age-appropriate opportunities targeted towards individual leadership growth.

## **Pick-Up and Drop-Off**

Cast members may begin arriving at 8:45 a.m., and parents should not leave until a staff member has received their child. Please follow the posted signs so that we adhere to our facility's requested traffic flow, which is subject to change. Parents will need to download and print a pick-up form from the Cast Resources page. If carpooling with others, all names of children entering the vehicle need to be written on the pick-up form. Please be prompt in dropping off and picking up your child, so that we can stay on task with our rehearsal process. Please bring your pick-up form to the performances so you can show it when you exit with your child.

## **What to Wear**

We will provide all cast members with a Camp JuMP T-shirt, and campers should wear them everyday, with the exception of Thursday when campers are asked to wear their designated color for Color Wars (See Color Wars). Camp JuMP shirts are mandatory for camp. If a camper needs to replace their shirt or script for any reason, there will be a \$25 charge. Please wear art-friendly clothing, as paint and other messy materials will be used in the art process. Socks and tennis shoes are greatly suggested for dance and other activity (**NO FLIP FLOPS, CROCS, SANDALS, or HEELYS**). If your child has dance shoes they would like to wear for dancing at camp they may bring them.

## **What to Bring**

All campers must bring to camp each day:

- Script
- SPILL PROOF Water Bottle (NO Stanley Cups!)
- Pencil
- Beach towel (to sit on at lunch)
- Lunch (except Friday; cast party lunch provided)

## **Cast Party**

The last day of camp we will have our Cast Party with a provided lunch. Camp will dismiss at 1:30 on Friday, so please arrange to pick your child up early from camp that day so that all cast members will have a chance to rest before their show.

## **Tickets**

Show tickets cost \$15 for preferred seating and \$10 for general seating. Seating is reserved for Broadway Jr. shows. Volunteer opportunities will be provided on a first-come-first-serve basis to receive complimentary tickets (such as ushering, working concessions).

## **Performances**

Each week of Camp JuMP culminates with the full-scale production of a musical review or Broadway Jr. performance on Friday at 7:00 pm, and Saturday at 2:00 pm. Cast members will be called (expected to arrive) up to two hours prior to the performance depending on if they have a microphone. Doors will open to the audience half an hour before each performance.

## **Camper Recognitions**

We make various camper recognitions at the end of our performances, including:

Friday Night:

- The winning color group of Color Wars

Saturday Afternoon:

- Leadership Scholarship Recipient - this award goes to a cast member who has exhibited exemplary character and leadership at camp. These scholarships entitle the recipients to a camp discount the following year.
- 5 year campers
- Campers who have participated in 10 camp sessions of Camp JuMP and/or Scrapped
- Graduating Rising 9th Grade Campers

Final Camp JuMP performance of the summer (Broadway Jr. Week 3, Saturday Afternoon):

- Mr. and/or Miss. Camp JuMP - this award goes to a graduating cast member who has most exemplified the Camp JuMP core values over their years as a camper.