Youth Musical Theatre Classes – Fall 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to our newest educational offering at the Phoenix Theatre Company – Youth Musical Theatre Classes! We are thrilled to be offering Saturday morning classes year-round and are excited to have you joining us! The Phoenix Theatre Company has developed new and exciting theatre experiences for your students through our summer camp programming for many years, and you can trust our youth classes will be no different! Your student will receive age-appropriate activities supporting their development as an individual and as an artist. Our classes will be creative, challenging, and lots of fun! Please read this information carefully with your student. We want to make sure everyone shows up to class with all questions answered and expectations met to create the best experience possible.

Like our week-long summer camps, this 15-week class will give students opportunities to learn the basics of musical theatre. We will be singing, dancing, and acting each week (and there will be some fun artistic surprises sprinkled throughout the semester).

Students participating in our Little Playmakers and Junior Troupers classes will be sharing their hard work with parents and friends on the final Saturday of the semester – December 12th at 10:00 AM. This showcase will be performed live in the Stephenson Theatre at The Phoenix Theatre Company. The performance will be FREE to attend, and the children love having an audience! Feel free to invite family and friends. On performance day, all students will be asked to arrive at 9:00 AM for a final dress rehearsal onstage. Doors to the theatre will not open until 9:45 AM for attendees to ensure the safety and security of your students. Please plan to spend the time between drop off and the opening of the lobby somewhere other than our campus.

We are here to make sure your students have a fun and educational theatre experience! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us!

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Class Schedule:

9:00 am Little Playmakers Class Begins (**Arrive between 8:55 and 9:00 am)**

9:45 am – 9:50 am Little Playmakers Snack Break – Students may bring their own snack or purchase from the Snack Bar**

10:30 am Little Playmakers Pick Up/Junior Troupers Class Begins

11:15 am – 11:20 am Junior Troupers Snack Break - Students may bring their own snack or purchase from the Snack Bar**

12:00 pm Junior Troupers Class Ends – **Students must be picked up promptly at 12:00 pm**

***Snack Bar options include chips, crackers, cookies, fruit gummies, etc.*

Significant Dates:

August 29th - First Day of Class

October 10th – No Class (Fall Break)

December 5th – Tech Rehearsal on Stage!

December 12th – Performance Day!

Pick Up & Drop Off:

All students will be dropped off in the Hardes Theatre Lobby. The best way to access this location on our campus will be to park in the large parking lot off Coronado Rd, walk through the hallway of mirrors and across the courtyard, and enter the double doors found in the far-left corner of the courtyard. Once signed in, students will congregate in their classroom (Little Playmakers/Raise Your Voice A - Rehearsal Room B & Raise Your Voice B – Mainstage Rehearsal Hall or Hardes Theatre). Parents are not permitted to come inside the classroom unless given express permission to do so.

Student pick up will take place in the same location as drop off. For pick up, if the student is self-sign-out, staff will monitor as they walk to the appropriate adult. If a student is not self-sign-out, parents/guardians must speak with a staff member posted in the Hardes Lobby and show their driver's license to sign out their student.

If you do not elect to allow your student(s) to sign themselves in and out, a parent, guardian or other approved individual listed in your registration form are the only people who may sign your student in and out of class. This rule is in place exclusively for the safety of your student.

If you need to update your list of individuals authorized to pick up your student, you may do so any time before dropping off. Requests received during class cannot be added to the pick-up list ahead of time and may result in longer pick-up times. Please be sure your student arrives just before the start of their class and that you are there to pick up your student at the end of each class.

Staff will assemble in the Hardes Lobby at **8:55am** to begin check in for Little Playmakers and at **10:25 am** for Junior Troupers check in. Please do not leave your student unattended before their class time. Staff will line up the students just before their pickup time to make pick up as smooth as possible. Your patience during this transition time between classes is greatly appreciated.

Attendance Policy:

With only one class session each week, missing more than one or two classes will make it difficult for your student to stay caught up. We understand that conflicts will arise and that many families have trips planned already. We ask that you please communicate any planned absences with the staff by sending us an email or calling ahead of time. If your student misses several classes without notice, it is possible that we will have to consider reassigning some of their lines & solos in the best interest of the group. *Communication is key!*

Cancellation Policy:
Full refunds are available only with at least two weeks' advance notice from your student's first day of class (August 15th). If a cancellation is made after the start of your class, no monies will be refunded. (This refund policy is enforced regardless of your reason for cancellation.)

Communication:
Parents/guardians should expect to receive email communication from The Phoenix Theatre Company regarding what the students have worked on in class, upcoming events, and reminders! Please add the following email addresses to your contact list to ensure that our correspondence is not sent to your spam/junk folder: camp@phoenixtheatre.com and boxoffice@phoenixtheatre.com.

T-Shirts:
You will be provided with one The Phoenix Theatre Junior Company t-shirt for the semester. This will be distributed before our fall break (October 10th).

Performance Information:
Saturday, December 12th, 2026 at 10:00 AM in the Stephenson Theatre

- Students will be asked to arrive at 9:00 AM to warm up and rehearse with their class before the performance begins.
- Lobby doors will open at 9:45 AM for friends and family.
- Little Playmakers will perform first, Raise Your Voice A (ages 8-10) will be second, and Raise Your Voice B (ages 11-17) will perform last. There will be no intermission between the classes. Please plan to attend all three classes' performances.
- Any costume pieces or assigned color schemes for students to wear will be communicated in advance via email & a physical notice.
- Seating is unassigned and will be available on a first come-first served basis. If you plan to bring a group larger than 5 people, please contact us ahead of time by emailing camp@phoenixtheatre.com.

Snacks:
Please be sure your student has a healthy breakfast before class! Students should come with a water bottle, a snack, or money for a snack. Refrigerators, microwaves, and other cooling/warming devices are not available.

A snack bar is available during scheduled breaks where students may purchase snack items for a minimal cost. Please do not send more than $5.00 with your student. Please label all items with your student's name.

We are a strict nut-free campus! We often have students join us with *severe* nut allergies, so for the well-being of all, we ask that you use a nut-free substitute. If you choose to use this replacement option, please label it as such so our staff knows the snack does not pose an allergy threat to other students. If a student arrives with nut products, we will give you a call for an

alternative option. If that is not possible, then students with nut items will be asked to wait to eat their snack until class has ended.

What to Bring to Class:

- A good attitude!
- Snack (or a small amount of money to purchase snacks at the snack bar)
- Water bottle
- Closed-toe shoes
- Comfortable clothing that will allow your student to be on the floor and move around a lot
- A sweatshirt or jacket! The classrooms can get chilly.
- Cell phones and other electronics are ok, but only to use during our break
- Your students' script & music. These will be passed out during the first few weeks and should be brought to each subsequent class. A PDF version of the script will be sent out when students receive their scripts in class for you to print/reference if your student loses their first copy.
- Instructors might ask students to wear or bring a costume and prop items from home for the final performance. Please follow directions and keep it simple. This is not meant to be another expense! Please adhere to the safety requirements listed above regarding clothing and do not bring anything from home that cannot get dirty or damaged.

What *Not* to Bring to Class:

- Peanuts and other tree nut products
- Fidget spinners
- Expensive electronics
- Weapons- real or fake

Expectations:

Students must behave appropriately at all times. This includes having a good attitude on stage and off. Students must respect fellow students, staff, and The Phoenix Theatre Company education facilities. Bullying of any kind will not be tolerated. If a student exhibits behavior that is considered disrespectful or disruptive to the camp, the following actions may occur:

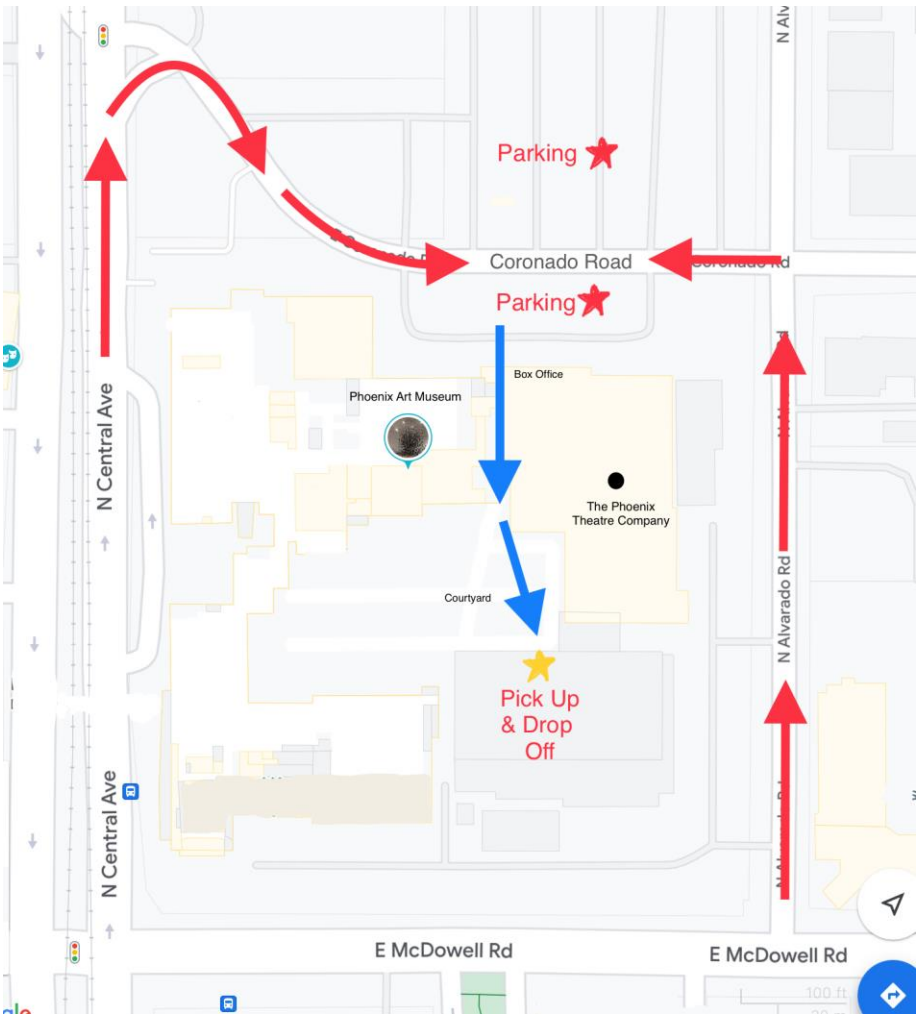
- Verbal warning
- Personal conference with instructor and class coordinator
- Parent conference with instructor and class coordinator
- Suspension for one week
- Possible removal from class

Notifications:

You will receive a reminder email the week before you are scheduled to attend camp. Please be sure to save camp@phoenixtheatre.com to your address book to avoid notifications going to Junk or Promotions. Please review this email for any updated details and specific information for your camper's particular class.

Campus Location:

Enter off of McDowell and Alvarado or directly off of Central. Free parking is available in either of the north lots in front of the box office. After parking, walk through the hallway of mirrors to the right of the box office and cross the courtyard. The Hardes Lobby will be in the far left corner of the courtvard.



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Thank you for reviewing the
Youth Musical Theatre Classes Fall 2026 Welcome Packet!