



Loosely based on a novel by DANIEL DEFOE (and we mean loosely)

Dear Parents,

Holy Family Catholic School has contracted with the Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT) to provide an enrichment opportunity for HFCS students. Two MCT tour actors/directors will arrive at HFCS on Monday, February 24th, 2020; then audition, cast, and teach approximately 50 to 60 students their parts in the production of **Robinson Crusoe** for one week during afternoon/evening rehearsals. On Saturday, February 29th, there will be two performances at 2:30 PM & 5:30 PM for our entire community to enjoy.

Auditions for Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT) production of **Robinson Crusoe** will be held on **Monday, February 24th 2020**, at the HFCS Auditorium from **3:15- 5:15 pm**. There are roles for students in grades K through 8.

Please be aware that **everyone who auditions will NOT be cast in the play**. The audition is fun and every attempt is made to make it a positive experience. Please support this by explaining to your child(ren) before committing, that an audition does not guarantee a role.

All character roles will be announced on Monday, February 24th following the audition and the lead characters will need to stay for the first rehearsal from 5:45 – 7:45 PM on that day. Supporting role characters will rehearse at varying times during the week.

There are also 4-6 "Assistant Director" positions available for the older students (grades 6th-8th). This is a wonderful experience helping with the backstage production as an alternative to being in the play.

Rehearsals will be conducted every day after school for ONE week only (February 24th-29th 2020) with the performances on Saturday, February 29th at 2:30 & 5:30 PM. ***Below is a TENTATIVE schedule.***

02/24/19	Monday	3:15-5:15 5:45-7:45	Auditions & Cast Announced Lead Characters Only
02/25/19	Tuesday	3:15-5:15 5:45-7:45	Specific cast members Specific cast members
02/26-28	Wed-Fri	3:15-5:15 5:45-7:45	Entire Cast Specific cast members
02/29/20	Saturday	11:00- 2:30	Entire Cast Dress Rehearsal Arrival / Performance begins at 2:30 & 5:30PM

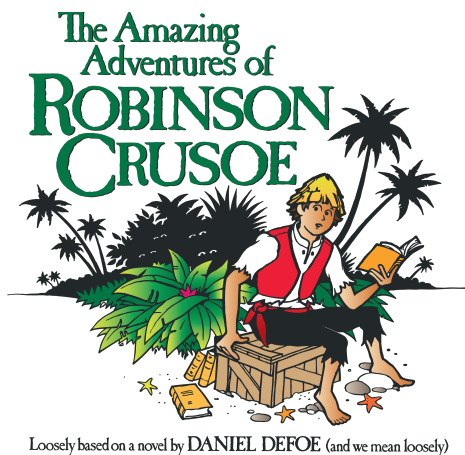
Although not all cast members will be needed at every session, **those auditioning must have a open schedule for the entire week and if selected, must be able to attend all rehearsals required for their role.** If a child misses one rehearsal, he/she will be replaced in the performance. NO EXCEPTIONS! A detailed rehearsal schedule will be distributed at the conclusion of the audition. Parents must pick up children promptly from all rehearsals.

*If your child would like to audition, please read the attached form carefully and sign and return it to your child's teacher or to the main office. **The audition permission slip is due no later than 3:00 PM, Friday, February 17th, 2020.***

This is an incredible, tuition-free opportunity to participate in a theatrical production with professional actors! If you have any questions, please contact Kistinn Balsamo at (970) 260-1063 or email kistinn1@gmail.com or Lisa Bickley at (970) 261-3273 or email lisalbickley@gmail.com

Thank you!

Kistinn Balsamo & Lisa Bickley - Missoula Chairs
Holy Family Catholic School



PERMISSION SLIP

My student, _____, has permission to attend the audition for *Robinson Crusoe* on Monday, February 24th, 2020 3:15-5:15 at the HFCS Auditorium.

- ☐ I understand that, if chosen for the play, my student may need to attend rehearsal **from 5:45 PM to 7:45 PM on Monday, and 3:15 PM to 7:45 PM on Tuesday through Friday. February 29th from approximately 11:00 AM – 2 :30 PM**
- ☐ I understand that students **will not be excused from rehearsals or performances** for practices, appointments, etc., but must keep the week completely free for this residency.
- ☐ I have discussed with my child that **all who audition will not necessarily be cast** into Robinson Crusoe and we will accept the casting decisions made by the MCT team.
- ☐ I also understand that I will be responsible for **punctual drop-off and pick-ups** for each rehearsal
- ☐ I will be expected to **assist with the production in some way**, such as ticket sales, supervision during rehearsals and day of performance, make-up, refreshments, baked goods for cafe, cafe shifts and sale, etc.

Parent or Guardian Signature _____

PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY BELOW:

_____ I would like to AUDITION for the cast of Missoula's *Robinson Crusoe*

_____ I would like to AUDITION for an Assistant Director position. (6th-8th graders only)

Student's Name _____

Grade _____

Teacher _____

Room # _____

Parent Name (please print) _____ Date _____

Home Phone # _____ Work Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

E-mail _____

(PLEASE INCLUDE as important information will come home via e-mail the week of the MCT production!)

**Please return this page ASAP to any teacher or the HFCS Main Office.
Deadline for permission slips is 3:00 PM, Friday, February 17th, 2020.**