



The PACE Musical Theatre Academy is open to any interested students (K-12) who possess a passion and enthusiasm for performing, and who are willing to work on their skill development in Acting, Singing and Dancing. No prior experience is necessary, and students are not required to audition.

The focus is to empower every learner to:

- develop self-confidence
- develop performance skills
- develop knowledge of, and an appreciation for the Performing Arts
- experience the power of being a valued member of a large and diverse team, working collaboratively toward a common goal

Components

- Skill development:
 - Acting, Singing, Dancing
- Performances:
 - All students (K-12) perform in a Musical Theatre Revue each Semester
 - December Production – 6 shows
 - April Production - 10 shows
 - K-5 students do every second show. They are divided into 2 casts.
 - All performances are at the Isabelle Reader Theatre at Spencer School.
- Connections
 - Students who are particularly serious about performing can take advantage of the Connections opportunities that are presented to PACE students during the year. (eg. Performing at the Parliament Buildings on Canada Day, working as a background actor in Film/Television, attending preview performances at Pacific Opera or the Belfry, special workshop and audition opportunities, etc.

Most of our students participate year after year, and create memories, and build friendships that will last a lifetime. The K-12 students work together collaboratively, and we purposely include multi-grade casting for some songs. The older students are expected to be role models for, and to mentor younger students. PACE welcomes parent and grandparent volunteers, and there is always an open invitation to get involved. It is truly a family atmosphere where all are welcome.



When and Where?

- PACE Musical Theatre Academy is offered on Sunday's at the Isabelle Reader Theatre at Spencer School. The typical weekly rehearsal schedule is as follows:
 - K-2 1-2 p.m.
 - Gr. 3 1-2:30 p.m.
 - Gr. 4-6 2-3:30 p.m.
 - Gr 7-12 3-8 p.m.

How to Register

- Register online by [clicking the register now button](#) .
Registration is on going, but the cut off for participating in the December show is October 15, and the cut off for participating in the April show is February 15.

Schools

[Westshore Centre for Learning](#).

Is there an Academy Fee?

- Yes. Each student pays \$50 per year, which will include the costs of most costumes.
- Families will not be asked to pay for more than 2 children – so a maximum fee of \$100 per family per year.

Does my child have to audition?

- No. Every student performs in every show. Younger students are always in group numbers. The more senior students generally handle the solos, duets and lead roles.

What about Costumes for the shows?

- The Academy fee covers most of the cost of costumes, but students will be required to provide some basic pieces. These are used every year for every show – so a one time purchase.
 - Men: Black dress pants and socks, white shirts.
 - Women, gr. 7-12: Black tights/leggings and black tank tops and/or body suits
 - Jazz shoes are recommended, but not required.
 - K-6: Black leggings or Black Dress pants and black socks.

Sunday Rehearsals

- Dress for rehearsals: Clothing that you can move in. Jazz shoes or runners. Hair tied back.
- Students are encouraged to bring water and a healthy snack.

