

SPEF's 5th Grade Musical 2025-2026



October 22, 2025 - February 8, 2026

Google Meet Parent Information Meeting

Thursday October 9, 7pm

Blue & Red casts, 2 performances each cast, Feb 6-8

Registration is first-come until spaces are filled or the registration portal closes.

The South Pasadena Educational Foundation (SPEF) offers the 5th Grade Musical (5GM) as part of the SPEF Afterschool Enrichment Program. The mission of the 5GM is for students to learn and experience musical theater from start to finish. This is a fantastic opportunity for 5th graders from AV, MAR, and MHS to come together prior to middle school to sing, dance, act and make friends.

Who can Register:

- Registration is open to current SPUUSD 5th grade students

Parent Information by Google Meet:

- We will hold a Parent Information Meeting on **Thursday, October 9** from **7:00 - 7:45 PM**. Contact SPEF if you have any questions or you missed the email from your 5th Grade room parent with the link.

Where to Register for the 5th Grade Musical:

- Registration opens **Tuesday, October 14, 9am** and closes **Friday, October 17, 12pm**
- Registration is online at <https://spef4kids.campbrainregistration.com>

Volunteerism is at the heart of the 5GM

Volunteering is a great way to meet fellow parents, and see the show as it develops. We couldn't do the show without your help! We expect all families to supervise at least one rehearsal and will share a sign up calendar in preparation for the start of rehearsals - In addition, when registering your student, you'll be also asked to select a specific volunteer commitment:

- Costumes Lead(s) & Costume Fittings & Pre-show Dressing Help
- Photos & Publicity
- Pre-show Hair & Makeup special looks
- Props/Backstage Lead(s)
- Props & Backstage Help
- Set Painting & Backstage Help
- Rehearsal Supervision Lead(s) & Rehearsal Supervision Help
- Show Support - Put up Posters, Box Office, Snacks, Wrap Party
- Volunteer Buyout is \$350 - If other commitments mean you can't volunteer for 20 hours, we understand - All forms of support make this musical possible!

Payment

- We are grateful to our Anonymous Community Grant Sponsor who is able to sponsor the 5th Grade Musical to keep the cost to families at \$150. Families can elect to pay by installment or can choose any of these options:
 - Credit card in full
 - Credit card by installment - \$75 Deposit, a final installment of \$75 on Nov. 21
 - Cash/Check at the SPEF office by October 17, 12pm
 - Tuition Assistance is available - Contact SPEF before registration with questions
- Review & Submit - You will receive a confirmation email

Other options / forms when registering

- Reserve a 1/4 Page 'Congratulations' space in the Performance program (\$50)
- Donate to SPEF's Community Scholarship Fund (\$10, \$25, \$50 or \$100)
- Select your student's T-Shirt size (included with tuition) & buy for supporters (\$20 each)
- Complete forms - Household, School Info/Permission to Walk Home/Interested in Carpool

Rehearsals

- We have Multiple teachers - Director, Musical Director, Choreographer, Production Manager
- Students will learn the Musical Theater Process & will begin with theater games, vocal and movement warm ups, and drama exercises

Auditions

- All students that register get a role - No Acting, Theater or Dance experience is necessary
- Your student does not need to audition to be in the musical - We will explain the audition process at the Parent Information Google meet, and to students once rehearsals begin
- Auditioning starts on day 1, with behavior and ability being informally assessed. Students will have plenty of opportunity to show off their singing voice and dance moves - Encourage your student to speak up when asked which roles they prefer, however this doesn't mean they will get the role: Our reality is there will be many more students cast as ensemble than in roles

Attendance

- Only register if your student is available **Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 3:30 - 6:00 pm** in Fall. This is the **Rehearsal Calendar**: <https://spef4kids.org/programs/spef-musicals/>
- We want your kid to attend OSS Outdoor Science School - Directors embrace the OSS tradition, and your student will have opportunity to pick up anything missed
- After Winter Break, please plan to attend all rehearsals in full, unless ill - January rehearsals are essential for blocking & costume fittings
- Please plan appointments and other activities outside rehearsal time - Students shouldn't regularly be leaving early or missing days to attend other activities

Behavior

- Students will be given a cast commitment letter at one of the first rehearsals
- Please take the time to review the guidelines with your student
- The musical is not for everyone - There will be times when students will sit and watch other castmates rehearse

Wait List & Refund Policy

- If you would like to be on the waitlist, please email bcox@spef4kids.org. Moving from the waitlist into the program is dependent on a student dropping from the program. There are no guarantees that being on the waitlist will result in your student getting into the program.
- If you need to drop from the musical, SPEF will offer a Refund, less the \$75 Admin fee, until November 21.

Need more information? Please contact:

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