

# Information about the Allegro Dance Theatre Musical Theatre Class

**THIS IS A HIGH COMMITMENT GROUP! There are many EXTRA performance opportunities and EXTRA rehearsals both in the evening and during the day.**

The musical theatre class at Allegro Dance Theatre includes both group vocal instruction and group dance instruction. This ensemble will learn at least 3 “shows” a year, while working on vocal techniques and dance techniques as associated with the major musical theatre styles. Each fall, the group will work on a Broadway style Christmas show. This coming year, the Christmas show will be The JingleBell JukeBox. This show will be performed as the pre-show for the annual ADT Cinderella, the Ballet at the HCSPAC on the Sat. & Sun. prior to Thanksgiving. It will also be performed the Mon. and Tues. before Thanksgiving as part of our School Educational Show offerings. ALL PERFORMERS MUST KEEP THEIR GRADES UP in order to be allowed out of school for this opportunity. In the past, this group has been invited to perform at the Etown Christmas Parade as well as various corporate Christmas parties and the December meeting of the Hardin County Chambe of Commerce. While working on more advanced vocal and dance techniques during the Spring semester, this group will present a Broadway Junior (a one-hour long show) musical at the HCSPAC in March. This production will be a part of the ADT educational offerings for area schools. We do 2 Public shows and 5-6 Schools over 4 day at the PAC. This coming year our show will be The Wizard Of Oz. This show will be rehearsed both in class and at extra Saturday rehearsals in the months of Jan./Feb./March. After the March show, the group will learn different choreography/music for the ADT recitals that are presented on Memorial Day weekend.

What do I wear for the class? The singers/dancers need to wear comfortable clothing so they can move- NO JEANS, NO PANTS WITH ZIPPERS. A leotard/tights/shorts would be appropriate. The one requirement for each class is dance footwear. Ladies will need a pair of tan character shoes for both the Christmas and the Spring shows. The musical may require jazz shoes, depending on the show and the character. The character shoes can be purchased at Kinney’s Dancewear in Louisville on Hurstbourne, or online. These shoes are NOT available in Radcliff or Elizabethtown. Gentlemen should wear BLACK jazz shoes and BLACK socks. NO DANCE SHOES SHOULD EVER BE WORN OUTSIDE. The Special Marley floor we have in our studio requires that ONLY dance shoes be worn.

What do we do in each class? Each class member will be responsible for getting out the music to be rehearsed and having a pencil for each rehearsal. During the 45 minutes of MUSIC class, the group will work on vocal warm-up exercises, on vocal techniques appropriate to the age of the singer, breathing techniques, music theory as well as theatre exercises including voice projection, body projection and communication onstage.

ATTENDANCE- Weekly attendance is ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY in order for the ensemble to make progress. It is important for each cast member to be present each week as spacing is set for all dances, steps are taught, and new music is learned. Each cast member is responsible for learning the material taught each week WHETHER the cast member is THERE OR NOT. It is not fair to the rest of the class to just walk in without knowing the choreography, spacing or music.

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**What does this group wear for performances?** In the past, this group has had several different outfits that were provided by Miss Carol. ALL GIRLS WILL NEED TO PURCHASE A NUDE CAMISOLE LEOTARD & SUNTAN TIGHTS (not pantyhose), and the boys will need BLACK SOCKS. Of course, girls will need tan character shoes, and boys will need black jazz shoes. For the Spring Production Musical, each student will be responsible for getting a \$100.00 sponsorship to help defray the production costs. This will be due in November- prior to the AUDITIONS for the musical.

*If you have questions concerning the ADT Musical Theatre Ensemble, please call ADT at 270-352-1333. Pictures of this group can be seen in our Gallery at <https://allegrodancetheatre.com/gallery>*