

DDP Performing Arts Academy

8-Week Fall Musical Theatre Intensive 2026

8 Week Intensive FAQs

What is the date of the workshop?

Total Dates Sunday and Monday: Sept. 13/14, 20/21, Oct. 11/12, 18/19, 25/26, Nov. 1/2, 15/16, 22/23.

What time does it run?

6th- 8th grade-Sun. 4:30-5:30PM; 9th-12th grade-Sun. 5:45-6:45PM

Kindergarten-2nd grade-Mon 4:30-5:30PM; 3rd-5th grade- Mon 5:45-6:45PM

Where do I go and where do the classes take place?

All classes will take place in the rehearsal studio at 401 Newman Avenue just behind Derby Dinner. We will send an email a week before class with directions to the studio behind the theatre.

What should I wear?

Please wear comfortable clothes in which you can comfortably move. Please - no skirts or open-toed shoes/ sandals/flip-flops.

How do I contact you?

If there is an emergency and you need to reach a teacher or student during class time, please call the box office at 812-288-8281. Outside of class time, you can email Kaitlyn Sage at ksage@derbydinner.com

Do I need to have prior theatre experience?

No. It is our mission to offer theatre camp to everyone, regardless of experience or skill level. Our teachers will do their very best to tailor the training to the individual.

How are the groups divided?

Each class will have a maximum of 14 students with 2 instructors.

Is there a final show?

As our workshops are process-oriented, there will not be a formal show. We will invite parents into the classroom on the last day to see a sharing of the work the students have done. Students will receive a certificate at the end of the workshop and an Academy t-shirt.

Will my child be cast in a Derby Dinner Playhouse show?

Over the past few seasons, students have gone on to be cast in DDP professional shows. Because we have over 2500 current and former students, it would be impossible to schedule an open call audition for each show. However, the workshop is a great opportunity for DDP

directors and staff to train and get to know your child for consideration for future callbacks, should they meet the specific needs the director of the show may request.

Can parents watch class?

We find that most students do much better and are often more free creatively when not being observed by parents.

What about food?

We do encourage students to bring their own refillable water bottle to minimize waste. Since this is only an hour long class, we will not have a snack break.

What is the cancellation policy?

You may cancel one month in advance with no penalty and receive a full refund. If you cancel less than one month in advance, you will receive a refund only if there is a waiting list, and there is someone to take that open space. If you cancel less than one week before the workshop date, no refund will be given. If we cancel the workshop day due to inclement weather, the workshop will be rescheduled for another date. If a workshop is canceled, we will email you. The box office will be notified as well. If we are unable to schedule another date, we will issue a refund or credit.

*NOTE – due to the large number of people registering and to be fair, we cannot save spots for students over the phone or email. To register, we must receive the completed registration payment.