

Spring 2020 Session Letter

Hey DRAMA Families! Enclosed you will find the information needed for participation in the DRAMA teams this Spring. Applications can be printed off the DRAMA website (www.dramateam.org) or filled out online. Helper applications are also available on the website. All applications must be received by February 19th in order to be accepted into the spring session. Please send your applications to **Phil Weaver (95 Stobers Dam Rd. Stevens, PA 17578**) along with your **\$50 session fee**. If this creates financial difficulty, please contact Tim (717-951-2518) or Phil (717-682-8597) as there are scholarships available. An alternate, older-member application is also available online.

Parents meetings: In order for a youth to participate in this session, at least one parent of all members and leaders <u>must attend one</u> of the parent meetings listed below or make special arrangements with Tim or Phil. If a member is 18 or older, they may participate in the session independently from their parents by following our Older Member Policy on the website (under the Documents section). Please bring your calendars for scheduling purposes. There will also be a sign-up for training camp meals. Parents of new members do not need to attend these meetings, but are welcome and may find them helpful. Spring parent meeting dates are:

• Tuesday evening, February 25, from 7-8:30 at the DRAMA Office (Grace EC Church 131 Terrace Avenue Ephrata, PA 17522)

• Saturday morning, February 29, from 9-10:30am at the DRAMA Office (Grace EC Church 131 Terrace Avenue Ephrata, PA 17522)

Again this session, Training Camp will be a Thursday through Saturday. The dates are: **Thursday, March 5** @ 8:00am, through **Saturday, March 7**@ 8:00pm. **Again this session, Training Camp will be held at Woodcrest Retreat** (225 Woodcrest Lane Ephrata, PA 17522).

Session Duration: Training Camp through Monday, May 18. See back of letter for pre-booked outreaches.

We are planning to have two teams this coming session. Practices for both teams will be held in the evening.

- Alpha: Mondays, 6:30-9:00pm @ Ephrata (Grace EC: 131 Terrace Avenue Ephrata, Pa 17522)
- Beta: Tuesdays, 6:30-9:00pm @ Lancaster (Faith Church: 2124 Old Philadelphia Pike Lancaster, PA 17602)

Update: Alisha Austin is now our Outreach Coordinator. You can direct all outreach contacts to her. Her email address is: alisha@dramateam.org.

Sprouts: DRAMA is planning on having Sprouts (youth ages 8 to 12) again this spring. The session will be from March 18 through May 13. Sprouts will meet on Wednesdays from 2:00-4:00pm at Ebenezer EC Church (235 State Street Brownstown, PA 17508). For anyone who is interested in seeing what Sprouts is like before committing to the session, the first practice on the 18th is an open day for whoever would like to attend. By the second practice, they will need a commitment for the session and pre-booked outreaches. If you have any questions, contact Tim King (717 951 2518) or email him at <u>Tim@dramateam.org</u>. **See back of letter for details on the pre-booked outreach given to sprouts**.

Booked Outreaches: These are the outreaches that our mime teams already have booked for the spring session; please mark them on your calendars. Each member is required to attend these pre-booked outreaches. Times given are subject to change, but only slightly. If there are any conflicts please list them on your application. Any more outreaches that are confirmed will be shared at the parent meetings or at practice.

Alpha:

March 20 (Friday evening) at Crossfire Youth Ministry April 2 (Thursday, 1:30pm-3:30pm) at Petra Church

Beta:

March 25 (Wednesday, 11:30am-2:00pm) at CHEX Co-op April 8 (Wednesday 10:30am-1:00pm) at Gehman's Mennonite Church

Both:

April 30, (Thursday evening) DRAMA Banquet, at Woodcrest Retreat (225 Woodcrest Lane Ephrata, PA 17522).

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