

West Portal School
2011/12 Chinese Performing Arts Program Participation Agreement

Name: _____ has signed up to participate in the _____ section of the West Portal Chinese Performing Arts Program ("Program"). Participation in the program will be lots of fun, but also involves a commitment by both the participating students and their parents. Both the participating student and parent must read and sign the following agreement.

Student AGREEMENT: Each participant agrees to the following:

1. To be on time and attend every practice. If you miss more than three practices, you may not be allowed to participate in the parade.
2. To give your full attention to the teacher during practices. Teachers are volunteering their time to teach you everything you need to know to perform in the parade. Do not waste the teachers' time with discipline problems.
3. Follow directions and stay in a safe, adult supervised area at all times during practice and at performances until you are picked up.

PARENT AGREEMENT: Every parent whose child is participating in the parade must agree to the following:

1. To make sure that your child attends every practice session on time. **More than 3 unexcused absences may result in your child being expelled from the Program for that year.** For excused absences, you must notify your group coordinator in advance.
1. To ensure your child is picked up on time from practice. **Arriving late to pick up your child may result in your child being expelled from the Program for that year.** No excuses. You need to arrive early not late.
2. To provide transportation to/from the dress rehearsals on Sundays (or Saturdays) in January (or Feb) from 2:30pm to 4:30pm (dates to be determined).
3. Make sure that your child can walk for at least one mile (approx. length of the parade). If your child attends all practices, he/she will be prepared.
4. To provide transportation to/from the school the day of the parade. We meet at West Portal School and take Muni to/from the parade. If you plan to pick your child up downtown after the parade, you must let your group coordinator know in advance.
5. To make sure that your child has the appropriate costume and shoes for his/her group and is dressed in the costume on the day of the parade (a deposit will be required for all costumes). Costumes will be distributed the week before the parade and must be returned immediately following the parade.
6. To provide your child any necessary safety equipment such as wrist guards and helmets for stilt walkers and ensure your child wears them. Group coordinators will advise you if safety equipment is needed.
7. To insure that your family pet does not attend any practices, whether on or off leash. This rule is for the safety of the stilt walkers and will be strictly enforced. Even one violation of this rule may result in your child being expelled from the Parade for that year.
8. To treat all my child's group coordinators, teachers and parade volunteers with respect and courtesy. Any disputes with a group coordinator or teacher should be brought to the Parade Coordinator for resolution. Verbally abusing, swearing at or otherwise harassing a group coordinator or teacher may result in your child being **permanently expelled from the Chinese Performing Arts Program and the Parade.**
9. To agree that you will not walk in the parade with our group, unless asked by the group coordinator.
10. I agree that photos and video of my child may be posted on the West Portal Parents Club Website and used in promotional materials for the Program. I understand that images of my child participating in the Program may appear on television or in the media.

Agreed:

Participant signature _____ date _____

Parent signature _____ date _____

Liability release and indemnification agreement:

I agree that as a condition of my child's participation in the Program, I will fully indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the West Portal Parents Club, its officers, agents and volunteers and West Portal Elementary School, its teachers, staff and volunteers (collectively the "Releasees") from any and all injury and/or harm arising out of or in any way related to my child's participation in the Program except injury or harm arising out of the sole negligence of the Releasees.

Parent Release signature _____ date _____

Return this form to your parade coordinator at the next practice.