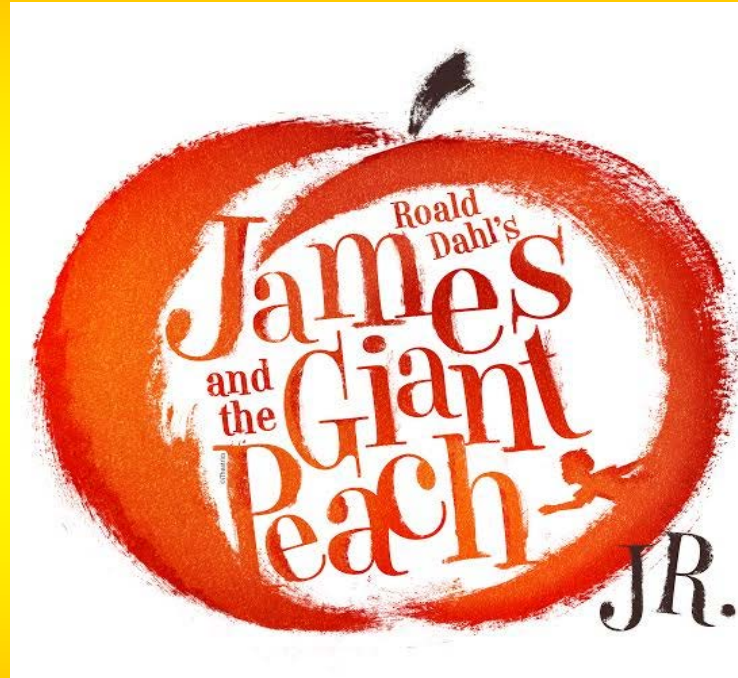


Charles Lindbergh Elementary School
Proudly Presents:



November 19-21, 2015
Jordyn D'Alimonte Performing Arts Center

James and the Giant Peach Jr. Leadership @ Lindbergh

Directors:

Mr. James Holden

Mrs. Heather Holden

Mrs. Laura Waggoner

Mrs. Jeanne Christiano

Music Director

Stage Director

Stage Manager

Choreographer

PTA Support:

Mrs. Judy Frank

Mrs. Tricia Anzalone

Co-President

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Benefits of a Musical

- **Active Participation in the Arts:** Participating in the arts provides young people with a chance to explore their creativity and imagination in a structured and safe environment. Musical theater is specifically remarkable because it is the only art form that combines all areas of the fine arts: acting, singing, dancing, and visual arts.
- **Improving Literacy Skills:** From reading scripts to memorizing lines to learning to tell a story, young people continually improve their literacy skills while rehearsing and performing in a musical.
- **Becoming a Confident Public Speaker:** It takes a lot of guts to stand up and sing or dance in front of your family, peers, and what may seem like the entire community. Experience with public speaking at a young age gives students confidence that will be important to them for the rest of their lives.
- **Gaining Critical Thinking & Problem Solving Skills:** Putting on a musical is a group effort and every member of the team must work together to make it happen. Throughout the rehearsal process, the students will learn to solve challenges as they arise. Students will learn to trust and depend on themselves and their castmates.

Lindbergh Musical Fast Facts:

- Lindbergh Elementary will be the first elementary school to pilot *James and the Giant Peach Jr.* at the elementary level in the country.
- **82** Lindbergh 4th and 5th grade students participated
- **78+** Lindbergh Parent Volunteers

James and the Giant Peach Jr. Timeline

May 2015

- Auditions
- Assign roles including 9 leads, and company roles totaling 64 in the cast, and 18 crew members
- All students who want a role in the show have a role!
- Students left school with script and CD's

Sept.- November 2015

- After school rehearsals started on Sept. 15th
- Rehearsals 2-3x per week
- 60 hours of rehearsals including an 8 hour technical rehearsal

“Peachy Parent & Child Reading Workshop”

- This interactive workshop was designed to give parents engaging, easy-to-use strategies as they read with their children at home. Students in all grades were invited to attend.

Hosts:

Mrs. Gossel; Reading Teacher

Mrs. Wagner; Reading Teacher

Mrs. Kwietniak; Library Media Specialist

Mrs. Brown; Lindbergh Parent



Lindbergh in the Community

Barnes & Noble Bookstore Performance



Lindbergh Community at Work



Lindbergh Community at Work



Student Narratives & Testimonials

Ella Valente

Natalie Roberts

Jadyn D'Alimonte

“The arts are an essential element of education, just like reading, writing, and arithmetic...music, dance, painting, and theater are all keys that unlock profound human understanding and accomplishment.”

–*William Bennett, Former US Secretary of Education*

Teachers



Parents

Students