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Frequently Asked Questions

Q. When will this summer's *We Speak* camps be offered?

A. Session 1 will be offered Monday-Friday, June 7-18, 2021.
Session 2 will be offered Monday-Friday, June 21-July 2, 2021.

Q. What time will each day of *We Speak* begin and end?

A. *We Speak* will begin at 9:00 am and end at 3:00 pm each weekday.

Q. What grades are allowed to attend?

A. This program is offered for rising 9th-12th graders.

Q. Where will *We Speak* sessions be held?

A. Both *We Speak* sessions will take place at Mad Cow Theatre on the second floor at 54 West Church Street, Orlando.

Q. How much does *We Speak* cost?

A. The two-week *We Speak* program costs \$400. We are currently seeking grants and sponsorships to cover both full and partial scholarships for students who have need of financial assistance. Students may apply for a *We Speak* needs-based scholarship when they register. Applicants will be informed on whether or not their application has been approved by **June 1st**.

Q. What happens if the session I register for is cancelled?

A. Mad Cow Theatre may cancel either *We Speak* session due to low enrollment up to two days before the session's start date. In the event of cancellation, all participants' fees paid will be issued a full refund.

Q. If I need to cancel my registration, will I receive a refund?

A. Mad Cow Theatre understands that summer plans change. If a camp participant needs to cancel their registration for either *We Speak* summer session, they may request a full refund of camp fees paid prior to seven days before the camp start date. **No refunds** will be given after seven days prior to the camp start date.

Q. How many students may attend each session?

A. Because of the immersive nature of this program, Mad Cow Theatre is only accepting up to 12 students for each *We Speak* session.

Q. Will there be a performance for this program?

A. Each *We Speak* will have an evening performance on the second-to-last day of camp:

Session 1 Performance: June 17, 7pm (Company call at 6pm)

Session 2 Performance: July 1, 7pm (Company call at 6pm)

Q. How do I purchase performance tickets?

A. Admission to each performance is free. Each student may invite 4 guests to attend their performance.

Q. Is an audition or interview required to attend?

A. During this first year of our pilot program, students are not required to audition or interview to attend.

Mad Cow Theatre has requested that local language arts and theatre teachers nominate one of their students to participate in our first *We Speak* summer programs. Because this program is meant to be community-minded, we are seeking a diverse group of students from throughout the Orlando and Orange County areas to populate the class.

Q. What will a typical day look like?

A. All *We Speak* participants may choose one of two tracks: Performance or Technical Theatre Design. Each morning, all student company members will meet for ensemble-building activities, breath work, and a writing workshop. After lunch, most days each track will break into groups to work on learning the theatre skills taught in their chosen track and on developing the performance and design elements of their production based on the company's written pieces.

On performance day, students will leave camp as usual at 3:00 pm and will return at 6:00 pm to prepare for their 7:00 performance. On the final day of each camp, the company will engage in an evaluation of their work process, their production, and the *We Speak* experience, ending with an informal cast and crew party at the end of the camp day.

Q. What are Mad Cow Theatre's COVID-19 safety protocols for this program?

A. Mad Cow Theatre will following the protocols below to maintain safety for all participants:

- All staff and students must wear masks at all times, including during performances.
- Spaces, equipment, and class materials used by our students and staff will be disinfected at the end of each day.
- There will be a maximum of 12 students, 2 teaching artists, and 1 teaching assistant together at any given time.
- Student Check-in/Check-Out will take place at the curb on Church Street in front of the theatre.
- All students and staff members will have their temperature checked at the beginning of each day.
- Students and staff will maintain social distancing during activities.