

*St. James-Assiniboia Divisional Musical Theatre*  
*Re: "Finding Nemo Jr" Jan 27-Feb 3/2024*  
*Westwood Collegiate*

April 3, 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Each year up to **150** students from across the School Division are selected to make up **two** casts for a musical production. Your child is **invited** to audition for next year's production, **Finding Nemo Jr**. The show will run January 27<sup>th</sup> to February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

Guidelines consist of choosing students from **twenty-one** schools, with representation from all the schools. Elementary students will be required to attend **one** weekly rehearsal on either Monday or Tuesday. Being part of this group is a **devoted** commitment for **five** months: Sept, Oct, Nov, Dec, and Jan. Each cast will rehearse on a specified day, beginning in September. Students with **lead** roles will be required to attend **two** weekly rehearsals. There will also be additional rehearsals **three** weeks prior to the show. Attendance is of the utmost importance, and students must make up for all rehearsals missed by attending on the alternate cast's day.

**Please make sure you can commit to all of the rehearsals and all of the show dates.**  
**I will be conducting all auditions on-line.**

**To Audition**

1. Visit <https://www.sjasdmusical.ca> - it contains links to the speaking audition passage, practice tracks, sheet music, videos tutorials, and the audition form.
2. Students must prepare **one song** from the list online. Students can choose any of the available options.
3. Practice reading and acting out the enclosed passage from memory.
4. Practice marching in time, doing step touches, and box steps. Video tutorials are provided on the website.
5. Have a parent video record the student
  - Singing their selected song
  - Reading and acting speaking passage
  - Dancing the above steps.
6. Your audition should be recorded using a camera or cell phone, in landscape format (wide).
7. Fill out the online audition form to submit your video.

**All auditions must be submitted on or before May 7, 2023 (end of day).**

Yours truly,

Mrs. Paula Olko  
(Producer/Director/Choreographer)

***Questions? Email [paula.olko@sjasd.ca](mailto:paula.olko@sjasd.ca)***