

## 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent meeting

Mrs. Ostrov and Ms. Rademacher will be supervising the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Variety Show this year. They will be overseeing the show, working with the skit leaders, committee chair, students, and school staff to put on an amazing show.

- The following are different ways that students can be involved in the show **(limited to two)**.
  - Small group (solo, duo, trio or quartet)
  - Large group
  - Tech crew (lighting, sound)
  - Backstage
  - Art crew
  - Announcer
- Each act will need an adult skit leader (usually your child is the student skit leader) to make sure that groups are rehearsing their act, keeping in contact with the supervisor to track progress and attending all group rehearsals both at home and on stage.
- In order to have a show, we need at least 10 acts, students to announce each act, as well as at least 6 students to work backstage
- **If your child chooses not to participate in the Variety Show, having met their obligation with HRW, it is important to understand that they cannot participate in any aspect of the Variety Show, including but not limited to the opening dance, closing song, slide show, or Breakfast**

In order to put on the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Variety Show, we not only need the participation of the student, but we also need parent participation on our committees both leading up to the show and the nights of the show. The committees are as follows:

- **Committee chairperson**- responsible for ensuring that all committees are running smoothly, attend rehearsals as needed, and keep in contact with the faculty advisor
  - **Tickets**- creating order forms and tickets for the show, track ticket sales, label chairs at the show and collect tickets the night of the show
  - **Candy grams and 50/50**- organize and sell both candy grams and 50/50s. can be one committee or split in wanted/needed
  - **Video/ slide show coordinators**- collect pictures from students, contact Joan Kret to put the slideshow together, and help to run the slide show at both nights of the show
  - **Back stage**- create a schedule for back stage crew (students and parents), create a prop map for each skit, be present at tech night- full rehearsal- and shows
  - **Chaperone/ sign in**- organize the chaperones and their jobs for the nights of the show, ensure that all students sign in and out at all major rehearsals, assist with behavior issues if needed

- **Programs**- create and arrange programs, copy and fold 275 programs per show
- If you would like to sign up for a committee, please email Mrs. Ostrov at [iostrov@milltownps.org](mailto:iostrov@milltownps.org). There will be an email sent out early January listing all committee members that we have and spots that we still need to fill.
- **The show is scheduled for March 22-23** meaning that the majority of the rehearsals and committee work will take place between February and mid-March.
- On January 3rd we will be meeting with the participating 8th graders to start creating groups and skit ideas. Following that will be a skit leader meeting on January 10th and a Committee Chair meeting on January 24th. At that time, all important dates regarding the Variety Show will be sent out.