



## **Brillianteen Student Code of Conduct and Participant Contract**

The McGaw YMCA is an open, charitable, membership association that promotes growth in spirit, mind, and body through programs and services for all in our diverse community. In support of this mission and the Evanston community as a whole, all staff and community volunteers seek to develop caring, honest, respectful and responsible youth in a program environment that provides a safe, healthy, productive and successful experience. The Participant Contract and Code of Conduct establish the expectations for all who choose to participate in Brillianteen.

Brillianteen is a unique and challenging artistic experience for youth and adults. The distinctive elements of a Broadway Musical require both discipline and commitment from all participants. The goal of Brillianteen is to offer leadership, performance, design, business, and social opportunities to area youth. The idea is to grow not only through the performance but through the collaborative process of working together as a community.

### **Code of Conduct:**

- I will demonstrate respect in my speech and actions for all staff, volunteer leaders, and other participants, and for all program rules.
- I will demonstrate respect for every facility occupied by the Brillianteen program and will assume financial responsibility for any damage to any property that I cause.
- I will not misuse, abuse, or possess illegal drugs, alcohol, tobacco, mood altering chemicals, prescription/non-prescription drugs, or other controlled substances at Brillianteen functions. I will not arrive or participate in any YMCA event, activity, or program under the influence of an illegal or controlled substance.
- I will not knowingly attend a gathering or ride in a vehicle where there is drinking or drug abuse.
- I will not possess any weapon at any Brillianteen function.
- I will be responsible for the contents of my backpack, luggage, bag, or other receptacle of personal belongings. I agree to allow a search of my possessions at any time.
- I will be responsible for my own actions at all times, and I will keep my hands to myself. I understand that physical violence, play fighting, inappropriate touching, profane language, verbal abuse, racial/gender slurs, gang related activities, cyber bullying, and harassment will not be tolerated and that any harassment should be reported to any McGaw YMCA staff member or adult volunteer.

### **By signing this contract, I agree:**

1. To abide by the Code of Conduct
2. To allow a search of my possessions at any time, (see Code of Conduct).
3. To fulfill the responsibilities of my role to the best of my abilities; to always be prepared and on time
4. That all program/rehearsal rules, regulations and the Code of Conduct are to be observed at all program venues to include: the Main YMCA, Child Care Center (where rehearsals take place), at the King Lab School/Auditorium and anywhere Brillianteen sponsored functions occur.
5. Not to abuse controlled substances or to participate in underage drinking or smoking. These actions will NOT be tolerated during Brillianteen programming. Participants may be subject to immediate dismissal<sup>1</sup> from the Brillianteen program for the current season.

6. That any conflict to the Brillianteen schedule will be communicated in advance to showboard secretaries, program coordinator, and/or Directors. Unreported absences from the scheduled program are not acceptable. This behavior harms the entire production and can result in dismissal<sup>1</sup> from Brillianteen.
7. That Tech Week<sup>2</sup> attendance is mandatory. **(Feb 20-March 1)**
8. That STRIKE<sup>3</sup> is mandatory for the Cast and Crew. **Closing/Strike/Cast Party is March 11<sup>th</sup>**
9. **That there is only one official Brillianteen cast party.** This party is immediately after the final performance when STRIKE is completed. All other parties are private affairs not associated with Brillianteen.
10. That I understand the following disciplinary policies:
  - a) I understand that if I violate the Code of Conduct / Participant Contract my parent(s)/guardian(s) may be notified, and I could be dismissed from Brillianteen for the current season.
  - b) I also understand that if I am disruptive, I may be sent home at my own or my parent(s)/guardian(s) expense.
  - c) I understand that parking in St. Mary's church parking lot and entering via the back (parking lot) entrance is prohibited. All King Lab parking restrictions will be explained and I will abide by those restrictions.
  - d) I will always be considerate of the neighbors near Brillianteen practice and performance venues.
  - e) During rehearsals, crew work sessions, and performances, participants must check-in and check-out with a parent chaperone or adult volunteer when entering and exiting the program site.
  - f) During tech week and performances, exiting the venue is not allowed without special permission from the director or program coordinator; only these two can give approval.

Anyone that chooses to participate in Brillianteen, in any capacity, is required to register and pay the program fee prior to participation. The fees are: **Member \$90.00** and **Non-member \$145.00**

**Tech Week includes scheduled times between the following dates: February 20-March 1**

**OPENING NIGHT is March 2, 2012**  
**Evening Performances: March 2, 3, & 10**  
**Matinees: March 4 & 11**  
**Closing/Strike/Cast Party is March 11 at King Lab**

I have received the 2012 Brillianteen Participant Manual in hard copy or via the McGaw YMCA/Brillianteen web site. I have read this document and I choose to be part of Brillianteen and abide by all that is set down in the Brillianteen Code

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 Participant Signature

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 Date

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 Parent/Guardian Signature

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 Date

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 Participant email

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 Parent email

**1Dismissal:** If a participant is dismissed from Brillianteen no fees will be refunded

**2Tech Weeks:** This is the all important move-into King Lab for tech, final run-thru and dress rehearsals

**3STRIKE:** This happens after the last show and refers to the breaking down of the set, packing all of Brillianteen supplies, cleaning of the stage/auditorium, and all areas used at King Lab.