



Twin City Theater Academy

Location: Biddeford Middle School
25 Tiger Drive, Biddeford ME 04005

Camp Phone: (207) 205-3048 (*program hours only*)

SPR Office: (207) 283-3139 (*M-F, 9:00AM-1:00PM*)

E-mail: parksandrec@sacomaine.org

Welcome to the 2025 Summer Season with Twin City Theater Academy!

We're thrilled to invite you to our eleventh season at Twin City Theater Academy! Get ready for an unforgettable experience as we showcase four exciting and fun-filled camps designed to engage and inspire young performers and technicians. We can't wait to see you there!

CAMP 1 Finding Nemo Jr.: June 16-27, 2025

CAMP 2 Legally Blonde Jr.: July 7-18, 2025

CAMP 3 Oliver Jr.: July 21-August 1, 2025

CAMP 4 Something Rotten Jr.: August 4-15, 2025

BEFORE CAMP:

CLICK HERE FOR OUR ENROLLMENT GUIDE

PERFORMANCE TRACK: \$525.00 per camp – 60 registrations available

TECH TRACK: \$375.00 per camp – 15 registrations available

DEPOSIT: A 50% deposit is required at registration – the balance is due 10 days before the camp.

ONE-WEEK TECH TRACK: this option can be requested only for Tech Track campers by emailing parksandrec@sacomaine.org. Performers are required to attend both weeks of camp.

EMERGENCY MEDICATIONS

📌 **Important!** If your camper has a prescription for an inhaler, EpiPen, and/or Benadryl tablets, they **MUST** be dropped off at the SPR Office **one week before camp begins**. Your child will not be able to attend camp if this is not received in advance. No drop-offs at camp!

🔗 Full medical policy: https://sacome.myrec.com/forms/5483_medical_waiver.pdf

CANCELLATIONS

- The Membership Fee cannot be credited or refunded.
- Camp registrations cancelled by 3:00pm on the preceding Thursday are eligible for a refund or credit.
- Cancellations received on days 1-3 of the camp are eligible for a 50% SPR account credit.
- Any cancellations received on or after day 4 are not eligible for a credit or refund.
- All credit card refunds are subject to a 5% processing fee.

CONTACTS & LOCATION

CAMP CELL PHONE: 207-205-3048

This number can be used to contact camp staff during program hours. This number is not used off-season or outside camp hours. Voicemail is available if staff cannot answer straight away.

SPR OFFICE: 207-283-3139

Call for any program questions, account updates, and for registration/payment assistance. This number is used for any changes that need to be made to your enrollment form, including adding new names to your pick up list. Office hours are 9:00am-1:00pm, Monday-Friday.

CAMP LOCATION: BIDDEFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL - 25 TIGER DRIVE, BIDDEFORD

Once you turn on to Tiger Dr., Biddeford Intermediate School will be the first building on your left. Continue on to find the Middle School and its large parking lot. Use the main entrance and walk to the left towards the auditorium for check-in.

CAMP LIFE: WHAT TO EXPECT

WHAT TO WEAR & BRING TO CAMP

- ✓ **Closed-toed shoes** – required for safety reasons during choreography and rehearsals. Sneakers or jazz shoes are great!
- ✓ **Layers** – air-conditioning can get chilly
- ✓ **Water bottle** – filling stations available at BMS
- ✓ **Snacks** (extra snacks on show day, or cash for concessions)
- ✓ **Lunch** (see School Department Lunch option info below)
- ✓ **Script and Pencil** for notes (we will provide at camp)
- ✓ Change of clothes (optional and recommended for younger campers)
- ✓ Campers receive a special theater 2025 camp shirt during their first camp week
- ✓ ***Enthusiasm and an open mind!***

ARRIVAL

Campers may check in starting at 7:30am. Please **walk your camper inside each day** to the check in table. Important camp updates, theme day calendars, and reminders are posted here! Update the TCTA staff member about any pick-up changes happening that day for your family.

DAILY ROUTINE

Rehearsals and theater-focused activities kick off each day at 8:30am and run through 4:00pm. **If you need to arrive late, check out early, or you have a mid-day appointment** just let the camp staff know ahead of time. Each day's routine will depend on rehearsal needs. Weather-permitting, the group has outside play time around their lunch break.

PARTICIPANT GROUPS

Our dynamic, multi-age program welcomes campers from 2nd to 10th grade, creating a fantastic environment for mentorship and peer learning. Throughout the day, participants will have opportunities to collaborate across age groups, as well as engage in focused activities and rehearsals within smaller groups.

SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAM

- The Biddeford School District **free summer meals program is available** to our campers. All campers will have options for breakfast (served 8:00-8:30am) and lunch (11:30am-12:00pm). Menus may be available at camp.
- *Families electing to use the school lunch program please indicate to staff at drop off that their child will need a lunch.*
- If your child is not interested in participating in this program, *please send a lunch.*
- Be sure to send a **water bottle and snacks** for our morning and afternoon snack times.

SUNSCREEN

Spray-on sunscreen is **provided at camp**. If you desire a different type of sunscreen for your child, please make sure this is provided and labeled with your child's name.

AUDITIONS

Auditions take place on the first day of camp. **Participants do not need to prepare** songs in advance and all audition material is provided at camp. The campers will participate in workshops to learn songs, choreography, and script passages prior to auditions. Our cast assignments are typically announced on the second day.

PICK UP

- Please pick up your camper at 4:00pm. Pickups after 4:15pm may incur a late pick-up fee accessed to your online account.
- **All pick up people must present photo ID every day. Please always have your ID!**
- Campers in grades 2-5 must be signed out by an authorized pick-up person inside.
- Campers in grades 6-10 can sign themselves out if parental permission has been granted in advance.
- Advance pick-up updates will be emailed or called in to the SPR Office (9:00am-1:00pm).
- All same-day updates (for self sign-out and new pick-up people) must be communicated in person during morning drop off by a parent/guardian to the TCTA staff member.
- Once a camper has signed themselves out for the day, they must leave camp premises.
- Please expect a line at check out – we will process everyone's sign out as quickly as possible. Thanks for your patience!
- *Check-out is still required on show days. Please sign out your camper with TCTA staff directly before the performance.*

GOOGLE CLASSROOMS

Each show will have its own Google Classroom. We encourage you—and your child if they're old enough—to join. **Throughout the summer, we'll post helpful links** such as choreography videos, digital scripts, rehearsal tracks, costume inspiration boards, and more, along with updates like lunch schedules and dress-up day details. Please note: You'll need a non-school Gmail account to access the classrooms.

COSTUMES & APPAREL – PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME

- **Performance Track** campers are required to wear **black shorts, a black tank top or t-shirt, and black shoes** for dress rehearsal and the performance. These items allow campers to change costumes quickly and modestly, and to secure body mics. Please refer to your Google Classroom for recommendations on dance shoes, footwear, and costume inspiration/reference boards. Any special additional costume info about your child's character will be available in the second week of camp. [Click here to see an economical black theater/jazz shoe we recommend.](#)
- **Tech Track** campers are required to wear **black long-sleeved shirts and long black pants/leggings/joggers** for the dress rehearsal and performance. **Sneakers/closed toed shoes** are required for moving set pieces - light up shoes are not allowed.

Other than the required items listed above, families are never asked to purchase costuming items. Please send items you already have at home. Our staff will work with each camper to make sure their costume is complete! Camp directors can assist you with any questions.

Personal items: For the performance, if your child brings any personal items such as a hairbrush, comb, make up, etc., please make sure these are sent to camp in a sealed bag labeled with your child's name. For hygienic reasons, **campers may not share these items.**

DRESS REHEARSAL

Open dress rehearsals are held around 1:00pm on the second Thursday of camp. Rec department summer camps in Saco, Biddeford, and the Kennebunks have been invited to attend. It's a great opportunity for our campers to perform before a small audience before the big show. **Family/friends are welcome to attend!**

PERFORMANCE

Each camp will culminate with a performance on the **final Friday at 4:30pm**. Doors open at 4:15pm. Shows are open to the public, and admission is an optional donation. We typically expect large audiences at our performances. *Check-out is still required on show days. Please sign out your camper with TCTA staff directly before the performance.*

CONCESSIONS & FUNDRAISING

This summer, TCTA will be offering **concessions** (snacks, candy, and bottled water) at each show. We frequently have **raffles** (50/50 and baskets) as well! **All purchases are cash only.**

We hope this info helps to prepare you and your child for a summer full of fun. Call or email the SPR Office if you have any questions – I'm happy to chat!

Thank you for supporting Twin City Theater Academy and we look forward to seeing everyone on stage this summer.

Lauren Schuyler Giddings

TCTA Program Administrator

The Saco Parks and Recreation Department



Production Photography with Maureen Grandmaison Photography

Twin City Theater Academy is excited to once again partner with Maureen Grandmaison Photography this season!

Throughout the summer, Maureen will attend either the dress rehearsal or the final performance to capture the magic on stage.

Details on how to purchase photos will be provided at a later date.

Email questions to maureengrandmaisonphotography@gmail.com.