

## Winston Churchill High School Tech Crew Parental Permissions

Many students have an interest in technical theatre and are members of backstage technical crews during set construction, rehearsals, performances, and set strikes. This backstage work is an enjoyable and exciting part of the theatrical experience. Student may have an opportunity to use complicated and expensive equipment which requires careful and responsible operation to create a pleasing and safe theatrical experience.

Students who elect to work on technical crews are trained in the safe operation of all equipment and facilities to be used by that crew. They are guided by student crew leads that have had prior experience and are supervised by the Media Services Technician who has expertise in these areas. In the event the MST is not available on a given day, crews will be supervised by the Director or production Business Manager.

Your son/daughter has expressed interest in technical theatre work and has applied to be a member of a crew this year. In order for him/her to be trained for participation, parental permission must be obtained. Please discuss with him/her the sense of responsibility that goes with such work in terms of commitment, safety, and keeping up with school work. If your student fails to meet the educational requirements and safety/theater rules, the Media Service Technician may dismiss him/her from the tech crew.

If you approve of your student's participation, please fill out and return this permission form.

Please feel free to contact me if you wish further information or if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Ben Schnapp  
Media Services Technician

\_\_\_\_\_ has permission to participate in the training program to become an active member of a backstage technical crew. I understand that he/she will be trained in the operation of all equipment. I further understand that logical and prescribed safety regulations will be responsibility met. He/she may at times work with lighting instruments in the catwalk areas above the stage and may operate power tools for scenery construction under proper supervision and after proper training.

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Date

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Parent or Guardian Signature