

Winston Churchill High School Tech Crew Parent Permission Form

Your student has expressed interest in joining Tech Crew for the 2024-2025 school year. Tech crew works on construction, painting, lighting, sound, and special effects for Churchill's three main stage productions. This backstage work is an enjoyable and exciting part of the theatrical experience. Students may have an opportunity to use complicated and expensive equipment which requires careful and responsible operation to create a pleasing and safe theatrical experience. Some of this equipment and materials includes drills, saws of multiple types, sanders, grinders, pneumatic tools, hand tools, paint and stains, ladders, scaffolding, lighting instruments, microphones, theatrical control consoles, and other theatrical related equipment and tools.

Students who elect to work on technical crews are trained in the safe operation of all equipment, tools, and facilities. They are guided by student crew leads that have had prior experience and are supervised by the Technical Director who has expertise in all areas. In the event the Technical Director is not available on a given day, crews will be supervised by the show Director(s). In the event that no one is available to supervise the crews, tech would be canceled for the given day.

In order for your child to participate, parent permission must be obtained. Please discuss with your child the sense of responsibility that goes with such work in terms of commitment, safety, and remaining fully committed to classes and school work. If your student fails to meet the educational requirements and safety/theater rules, the Technical Director may dismiss your student 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 have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Ben Schnapp
Technical Director
Benjamin_Schnapp@mcpsmd.org

Name of Student(s) _____

Student ID# _____

Please sign below to grant your student permission to participate in the Tech Crew, acknowledging that you understand the scope of work and the type of equipment they will be using, as described above. Your student will receive training in the safe operation of all tools and equipment. It is their responsibility to follow all safety regulations; failure to do so may result in their dismissal from the crew

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date