PARENT + STUDENT HOMEWORK



TUES AUG 22 7PM ^{ET}

LETTER FROM ROBERT

You committed to attend Senior Night. Yes! This is a very smart move.

Why?

Because the sooner you start preparing for the college admissions process, the better.

If you wait to begin 2 months before your application is due you're simply too late.

But if you get started now you'll be in great shape. You'll have enough time to put together an excellent package that impresses your dream college. And you'll feel way less rushed and stressed out, too.

We're excited to see you (and your parent or guardian) at Senior Night on Tuesday August 22nd at 7pm ET.

First, here's some homework to complete before Senior Night.

If possible, print out this packet. Complete all the questions prior to Senior Night so that you show up fully prepared.

You'll notice a few blank pages at the end. That's your space to take notes during the Senior Night presentation.

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TO DO BEFORE THE MASTERCLASS

HOMEWORK QUESTIONS

- Carve out some time. We recommend 30 to 60 minutes.
- Silence your phone. Close all those tabs on your browser. Clear distractions. TikTok will be there when you finish this.
- Put on headphones and listen to music if that helps you to focus.
- Read the following questions and write your answer to each one.
- Please bring your answers (either typed or handwritten, digital or printed, any format is fine) along to Senior Night. Thank you!



STUDENT HOMEWORK

WHEN IT COMES TO MUSICAL THEATRE, WHAT IS YOUR ULTIMATE DREAM?

Example: I want to get into a top college, get a BFA in musical theatre, and then eventually move to NYC and get cast in a Broadway show.				

WHAT ARE THE 3 BIGGEST OBSTACLES YOU'RE FACING RIGHT NOW WHEN IT COMES TO ACCOMPLISHING YOUR DREAM?

Example: My 3 biggest obstacles are
1. I don't have friends in my community who want to pursue musical theatre and I feel isolated sometimes.
2. I'm a strong singer but I'm not as confident when it comes to dancing and acting.
3. I really struggle with procrastination. I get overwhelmed and I tend to leave things (homework, applications, etc.) until the very last second. Sometimes I miss deadlines because I just get so stressed out and behind on things. I want to work on this and improve!

WHAT IS YOUR DREAM COLLEGE EXPERIENCE?

Do you want to attend a big school in a bustling city like NYC? Do you dream about attending a small school in a peaceful town with cute cafes and quaint shops? Do you want to be able to surf on the weekends, or hike in the woods, or see quirky underground theatre shows, or something else? Think about what your dream college experience would look and feel like.

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DO YOU ALREADY HAVE MONEY SAVED UP FOR COLLEGE? HOW MUCH? DO YOU NEED MORE? HOW WILL YOU PULL TOGETHER THE MONEY YOU NEED?

Now is the time to talk to your family about finances. Did your parent(s) create a college savings account for you? If so, how much money is in there? Is it enough to cover everything—or will you need more? How can you contribute financially to your education and get the money you need—through a job, scholarship, grant, loan, or all of the above? Do some research. Write down at least 3 ways you can get money for your education. What are 3 action steps you can take? Write them down.

Example: To help contribute more money for my education, I can do the following things:

- 1. Apply for funding through the National Arts Foundation: YoungArts' signature program (\$10,000).
- 2. Apply for funding through the Disney Diversity Theatre Arts Scholarship. (Amount: unknown—I will email them asap to get more info!)

. Research how to get a student loan at StudentAid.gov					

WHEN IT COMES TO THE COLLEGE AUDITION PROCESS, WHAT ARE 3 STRENGTHS YOU CAN BRING INTO THE ROOM?

Example: I'm a strong singer and I'm pretty versatile—I can sing in many different styles: classic Broadway, contemporary styles, rock, pop, I can do it all!					



WHEN IT COMES TO YOUR UPCOMING MUSICAL THEATRE COLLEGE AUDITIONS, WHAT 3 WEAK AREAS CONCERN YOU?

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APPLICATION PROCESS, I NEED MOST HELP WITH	•

Example: When it comes to the college application process, I need most help with filming my prescreens.



FINAL QUESTION: WHAT WOULD IT FEEL LIKE TO EXPERIENCE THE SUPPORT OF A COMPLETE COACHING PROGRAM LIKE PRESCREEN PREP?

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EXTRA CREDIT

Now is the time to start expanding your theatre knowledge.
This means reading new plays, listening to new musicals, and learning new dance styles that are not familiar to you.
By doing this, you become a well-rounded artist and gain a competitive edge. By exploring new things, you will also discover new monologues, songs, and dance routines that showcase your strengths—new things you can add to your audition repertoire!
Write down 2 new plays, 2 new musicals, and 2 new dance styles that you will explore in the next 2 weeks.
Example:
Plays - I will read The Importance of Being Earnest by Oscar Wilde and Our Town by Thornton Wilder because I have never read either of those.
Musicals - I will listen to The Light in the Piazza and The Pajama Game.
Dance - I will go on YouTube and watch West African dance and Brazilian Zouk dance videos to explore some new styles

EXTRA SPACE TO TAKE NOTES



PARENT HOMEWORK

JUNIOR YEAR IS OVER (HALLELUJAH!) AND IT'S A BRAND NEW YEAR! WHAT ARE YOUR HOPES AND DREAMS FOR YOUR TEEN IN 2023?

Example: I notice that i see my daughter strive p			
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WHEN DOES YOUR TEEN SEEM THE MOST JOYFUL AND ALIVE?

Example: When she is rehearsing or performing onstage!						

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"AS A PARENT, YOU NEED TO PUT ON YOUR OWN OXYGEN MASK...FIRST!" WHAT'S SOMETHING YOU COULD DO FOR YOURSELF THIS WEEK TO FEEL CALM, STRONG, ENERGIZED, AND MOST LIKE YOUR BEST SELF?

ample: I could take a break from Facebookand unplug for a day! That would feel amazing.					

WHEN IT COMES TO MUSICAL THEATRE, WHAT IS YOUR CHILD'S ULTIMATE DREAM? NOT SURE? NO PROBLEM! THIS CAN BE A CONVERSATION YOU HAVE WITH YOUR TEEN LATER.

Example: She wants to get into a top college, get a BFA in musical theatre, and then eventually move to NYC and get cast in a Broadway show.						

WHAT ARE THE 3 BIGGEST OBSTACLES YOUR TEEN IS FACING WHEN IT COMES TO ACCOMPLISHING THEIR DREAM?

Example: She doesn't have close friends in our community who want to pursue musical theatre as a career. She wants to feel more confident when it comes to singing. She gets overwhelmed and is having trouble staying focused and creating a plan of action.						

EXTRA CREDIT

Can you remember a time in your life (maybe a long time ago, or maybe recently) when someone said "no" to your dream?
Maybe a parent, teacher, mentor, employer, or some other authority figure told you, "No, you're not good enough" or "No, that's not realistic" or "No, it would be stupid to spend money on that."
How did it feel when this happened to you? (Probablynot good.)
If you could go back in time and change the past, what do you WISH this person had said to you instead?
For instance, maybe they said: "You're not talented enough to make it as an artist."
And you wish they had said: "Being a successful artist is hard work. If you're willing to put in the work that's required, then you have my full support and I am cheering for you."
Write down what happened to you, how it felt, what they said, and what you wish they had said instead.
With your child, be the person who says "I see you, I believe in you, I support you, let's figure out how to make this happen" not the person who says, "That's unrealistic."

EXTRA SPACE TO TAKE NOTES



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