

SUMMER PROGRAM 2009 FACT SHEET

Summer Program Dates: Four sessions are offered. Families may enroll for 1, 2, 3, or all 4 weeks; PLEASE NOTE: Because of the musical projects planned during the Broadway weeks, we cannot accept anyone into Session 4 as a single week enrollment. Families are encouraged to enroll in at least two consecutive weeks, as this continuity provides a greater musical and social benefit to the program experience.

Session 1 – July 12 – 18	Rock On I	(focuses on classic and other rock genres)
Session 2 – July 19 – 25	Rock On II	
Session 3 – July 26 – August 1	On Broadway I	(focuses on musical theater activities)
Session 4 – August 2 – 8	On Broadway II	

Program enrollment: Limit of 25 individuals per session, Age range: 16-25 years of age

Admissions Criteria:

- ♪ commitment to developing musical talent
- ♪ ability to get along with others in a group
- ♪ ability to communicate effectively
- ♪ ability to manage basic personal needs while away from home
- ♪ ability to adapt to a one or two-week program of sustained physical and social activity

Note: Preference will be given to applicants who are considered prospective candidates for the Berkshire Hills Music Academy academic year program.

Deadline for applications: For regular registration, applications and deposit must be postmarked by May 1st, 2009. Applications postmarked after this date are subject to a \$50 administrative fee.

Tuition: \$1200.00 for a one-week session (includes room and board)
\$1100.00 per week for a multiple sessions (includes room and board)
\$ 800.00 per week for a day program (8:00-4:00, Monday-Friday only)

Deposit: **Deposit:** \$250.00 (payment by check only, to Berkshire Hills Music Academy)
Note: Deposit will be applied to tuition if applicant is accepted; otherwise deposit will be returned. Withdrawal after May 31st will result in forfeiture of deposit.

Payment: Upon acceptance, payment in full must be received by May 15th. For cancellations after May 15th, credit towards another BHMA program will be given for any reason which prevents a person from attending. If we are able to fill the space caused by the cancellation, a tuition refund may be possible.

Financial Aid: Some participants may find financial supporters in their community, through local school districts, or from professional organizations. Some states offer “respite” funds for summer programs. Limited scholarship money is available for Williams Syndrome Association members. Contact the WSA for information.

Waiting list: Qualified candidates who cannot be accommodated will be placed on a waiting list and given preferential consideration next year.

References: All applicants are required to submit two (2) personal references from people who have known them in a formal capacity, such as music instructors, teachers, coaches, health professionals, or clergy.

Medical: A physical exam (within the last year) and proof of insurance (photocopy of insurance card) will be required with the application. Additional medical forms will be sent out upon acceptance.

Enrollment: Individuals accepted into the Summer Program will receive an enrollment package. This package will include: an acceptance letter, enrollment agreement, physical examination form, insurance and medical care authorization form, a packing list, local accommodations list, and a transportation request form.

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