

Dear Parent,

Young Playwrights' Theater is very excited to be working with your student!

At YPT, our mission is to teach students to express themselves clearly and creatively through the art of playwriting. We know that your child's education is very important to you, and we'd like to take this opportunity to let you know how we bring arts education into their school day.



YPT is providing our award-winning ***In-School Playwriting Program*** at your student's school. The ***In-School Playwriting Program*** integrates the art of playwriting into the classroom in order to enhance student literacy, creative expression and communication. Students explore playwriting, revision and performance with professional playwrights, actors, and teaching artists. During a carefully crafted series of standards-based workshops, students explore the mechanics of language, drama, and self-expression, culminating in the creation of their own original play. Throughout the year, YPT also produces a number of the student plays created in our ***In-School Playwriting Program*** with professional actors and directors. (We encourage you to read more about YPT at www.yptdc.org.)

We can't wait to get to know your student, and we would love to get to know you as well.

There are a number of ways you can get involved with YPT:

- **Talk to your student about YPT.** Ask them about their experience in the classroom, help them brainstorm ideas, or ask if they would like to share their play with you.
- **Attend a performance.** YPT presents free professional performances of student plays at GALA Hispanic Theatre in Columbia Heights. (To learn more, visit www.yptdc.org/events.)
- **Get in touch with us.** We are committed to providing excellent programming for students, and we want to know how you think we're doing. Please feel free to give us your feedback. Is your student enjoying the program? Is there anything you think we could do better? Do you have any questions for us? You can email me at ptorres@yptdc.org or call us at (202) 387-9173.

Thank you for the opportunity to teach your student! We hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

Patrick Torres
Associate Artistic Director

