

Transcendence Theatre Company

Virtual Recess Information Packet 2020

INFORMATION

Welcome to Transcendence's Virtual Recess 2020! We are so excited to offer you a fun and arts filled "Virtual Recess" for your students' school day. This November you will join a community of students taking a break from class and exploring theatrical characters and stories through visual and performing arts! This package includes (6) 45-minute recess break activities, providing your student with a playfilled brain break to the Fall virtual learning semester. Transcendence Teaching Artists will lead virtual arts activities (2) times a week for (3) weeks, intended to be a fun break from your students' core curriculum. We can't wait to bring recess back into the virtual classroom!

This packet contains A LOT of information that is crucial to success during Recess. Please read all information below and feel free to contact us with any questions regarding Recess logistics.

What you can hope to experience as a student during Transcendence Virtual Recess:

- Recess breaks focusing in theater, dance, and collaborative storytelling
- The opportunity to learn from Professional Performers and Teaching Artists
- Being a part of a loving, supportive, inclusive community of other young artists and professionals
- Experienced and supportive teaching artists that have designed recess with state standards in mind
- ...AND SO MUCH MORE!

REQUIREMENTS

- **Must be 6-10 years old** at the start of Recess on November 2nd, 2020

VIRTUAL RECESS SCHEDULE

All Recess classes will be offered ONLINE! Students will register for all of the (6) sessions and attend classes at the same time on Monday and Wednesdays 11/02-11/18 each day.

**All times listed are PST

Week 1:

- Monday (11/02/20) 2:30pm-3:15pm
- Wednesday (11/04/20) 2:30pm-3:15pm

Week 2:

- Monday (11/09/20) 2:30pm-3:15pm
- Wednesday (11/11/20) 2:30pm-3:15pm

Week 3:

- Monday (11/16/20) 2:30pm-3:15pm
- Wednesday (11/18/20) 2:30pm-3:15pm

TUITION

\$250 - **Virtual Recess Full Package** includes tuition for (2) 45 minute arts recess activities and direct instructions per week by Transcendence Teaching Artists for (3) weeks total. (6) Recess lessons total.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED/ WHAT TO WEAR FOR RECESS DAYS

- Laptop/Computer/Tablet/Phone with access to Wifi/internet

**If your family does not have a device and/or access to the internet, please let us know. We would love to assist you in making Virtual Recess accessible to all who want to participate!

- 6' x 6' Space surrounding electronic device so we can move
- Closed-toe shoes
- Comfortable clothes that students can move in (no dresses or skirts unless worn with shorts underneath as campers will be dancing)

● Pencils, Markers and paper

WHAT WILL YOUR STUDENT EXPLORE DURING RECESS?

Character Creation/Pantomime: In RECESS we will create our very own unique character creations. Students will use their imagination and individuality, while making Pantomimes: silent stories through movement. This will start with a quick warmup and some theatre games to get your students' creativity flowing. We will explore character creation through drawing activities and by using our physicality. Together who knows what we will create together?!

Theater/ Improv Games: In this RECESS break, students will uncover their creative instincts through a wide variety of games and improvisation activities. There will be collaboration with fellow students, stressing the importance of community and teamwork. Most importantly, this is a chance to be silly and create! All bets are off as we play and step out of the box in this zany fun virtual playground!

Dance/Movement: Dance offers an experience for students as they gain body awareness and control through learning choreography and exploring creative movement. Through this RECESS break, they will grow in confidence, poise, and self-expression. RECESS will start with a full body warm-up, to shake off the quarantined dust before moving into a dance combination. Then we will culminate in learning a piece of choreography specifically designed to be shared virtual via video calls, TikTok, Instagram and more! Challenge your friends and family to dance-offs with your new moves!

AND SO MUCH MORE!

FAQs for Virtual Recess

What will my kids be doing each day at recess?

Students will participate in a range of classes including improvisation, dance/movement, acting, tableau, pantomime, charades and so much more!

Do they need prior experience?/ Is there an audition to participate?

No prior experience is necessary for students and there is not an audition process. While some of our students will have taken lessons or performed in the past, most have not. Virtual Recess is a great first exposure to the performing arts and most importantly about FUN! We believe strongly that the arts open doors and build skills that are useful for a lifetime. Students will leave RECESS with increased skills in collaboration, creativity, confidence, self-expression, body awareness, teamwork, and innovation.

Are there scholarships available? How do we apply?

In order to provide this opportunity for all, we have several need based scholarships

available. We currently offer half and full scholarships for Virtual Recess. If interested in a Virtual Recess scholarship please fill out our Scholarship Request Form, which can be found by visiting <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe4iHjIrHRdMbbz6eXws7Lfrfg-Mq-CtdijkiU0eAX6quj7Iw/viewform>

Can I pay for another student to receive a scholarship to Virtual Recess? How?

You are more than welcome to pay for another student to attend virtual recess. If you know their name please contact the Transcendence Education Team (education@ttcsonoma.org) You will need to provide them with the student’s name for whom you are making the payment as well as contact information for that student. We appreciate the generosity so very much!

VIRTUAL RECESS 2020 Schedule

The schedule is color coded for ease of viewing. Your student will have access to all dates listed below so please make sure you calendar these dates/times!

Virtual Recess Schedule		
	Mondays	Wednesdays
Week 1	(11/02/2020) 2:30pm-3:15pm	11/04/2020 2:30pm-3:15pm
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