HELPING KIDS DEAL WITH DISAPPOINTMENT

Thank you for allowing your child to audition for the Missoula Children’s Theatre’s {*Show Title*}at {*Presenting Organization*} today.

A reminder that the maximum cast size for this program is 50-60. There are many talented children with interest in the performing arts here in our community; there may not be a role for everyone who auditions. If your child is not cast in the show, remember that auditions do not always seem fair. With many students auditioning for a limited number of roles the decisions of the MCT Tour Actor/Directors are always very difficult.

Should your child not receive a role this time, we encourage you to consider the following:

* Give your child some time. Things might not seem nearly so bad tomorrow.
* Talk about it – what was their favorite part of auditioning?
* Discuss what they could do even better next time.
  + They may choose to work on their singing and acting skills so that the next time they audition they will be even better prepared.
  + Or, maybe they will decide that even though they enjoy going to the theatre they don’t have a driving desire to be on stage themselves.
* Talk about all of the activities they enjoy and feel success doing and go do one of these activities!

How one responds to disappointment is a tremendous test of character. Children will look to you as an example of how to react. Compliment them for their efforts and for taking a risk by auditioning for the show!

Sincerely,

{*Presenting Organization*}