

Jailhouse Rock! is an energetic, uplifting musical that explores the joy and freedom we have in Christ.

The story begins as a group of children arrives at Camp Koinonia, excited for a week filled with hiking, swimming, and outdoor fun. However, their plans quickly change when a sudden torrential downpour forces them indoors, leaving them “jailed” in the mess hall.

While they wait out the storm, the Camp Director and Junior Counselors guide the children through powerful biblical stories of Paul, Silas, and Peter, who also experienced being “locked up.” Through these stories, the campers discover how prayer and praise can transform even the most challenging situations, reminding them that true freedom comes from faith.

Dear Students (Grades 3–8),

 **The stage is calling... will you answer?** 

Get ready—our Spring Play is just around the corner! Take a look at the description of the show and its characters. If one of those roles sparks your interest, don't miss your chance to shine—sign up for an audition by completing the bottom portion of this letter.


Being part of the Spring Production is an exciting opportunity, but it also comes with responsibility. All cast members must have approval from their parent(s)/guardian(s) and classroom teacher, and their signatures are required on this form. Rehearsals will take place during lunchtime, so be prepared to commit your time. Remember: strong grades and positive behavior are essential—not only for being selected, but for staying in the cast!


 **Audition Prep Time!**

Memorize the attached lines and come ready to perform them with confidence. Bring the character to life—add your own flair, energy, and creativity!

 **Audition Schedule (Music Room at Lunch):**

- **Monday, April 13 – Junior High**
- **Tuesday, April 14 – 4th & 5th Grades**
- **Wednesday, April 15 – 3rd Grade**
- **Thursday, April 16 – Absentees & Callbacks**

 **Important:** If you miss your audition or come unprepared (lines not memorized), you will not be eligible for casting.

 The cast list will be announced once auditions are complete—get ready for your moment in the spotlight!

Complete this form, collect the required signatures, and bring it with you to your audition.

Break a leg! 

NAME _____ **GRADE** _____

CHARACTER _____

PARENTS SIGNATURE _____

CLASSROOM TEACHER SIGNATURE _____

Characters

The show alternates between modern camp setting and biblical reenactments (Acts stories). Many roles are flexible/expandable and may be adjusted based on the number of students auditioning and the needs of the production.

- **Mrs./Mr. Livingston** – Camp Director
- **Junior Counselors** – leaders helping guide the kids
- **Campers (children)** – ensemble roles at Camp Koinonia
- **Paul, Silas, Peter** – biblical characters taught through storytelling

Modern Day Characters

Mrs./Mr. Livingston (Camp Director)

A caring, energetic leader who keeps the camp running smoothly. She/he teaches important lessons about faith and encourages the campers to trust God.

- Strong speaker/singer
- Confident, warm personality
- Can be played by an older student

Junior Counselors (2–4 roles)

Fun, responsible leaders who help guide the campers. They are enthusiastic, encouraging, and help tell the Bible stories.

- Good energy and stage presence
- Some speaking and singing
- Great roles for upper-grade students

Campers (Flexible ensemble with featured lines)

A group of kids attending camp. Each camper can have a unique personality. Some featured campers may have speaking or solo lines.

Suggested personality types:

- **The Complainer** – unhappy about being stuck inside
- **The Excited Camper** – loves everything about camp
- **The Funny One** – comic relief
- **The Shy Camper** – quiet but grows in confidence
- **The Curious One** – asks thoughtful questions
- Roles for all grade levels
- Opportunities for solos, small groups, and speaking parts

Bible Story Characters (Acts of the Apostles)

Paul

A bold and faithful follower of Jesus. Even in difficult situations, he trusts God and leads others with courage.

- Strong speaking role
- Confident presence
- Likely a soloist

Silas

Paul's loyal companion. Encouraging and full of faith, even when facing hardship.

- Supportive role with strong character
- Singing likely

Peter

A key disciple of Jesus who learns to trust God more deeply. His story shows growth, courage, and faith.

- Expressive actor
- Speaking role with emotional range

Other Biblical Roles (Flexible Ensemble)

May include:

- Guards
- Prisoners
- Crowds

Audition Lines

Kid 1 *(Scared and stressed out)* I want my mommy!

Kid 2 *(With cell phone)* Quick! What's the number for 9-1-1?

Kid 3 *(With cell phone)* Oh, don't you have to dial nine to get outta here?!

Kid 4 *(Jokingly)* This is like being in jail! Look ... they're *cell mates!* *(Aside and pointing at the phones)* Get it? Cell mates!

Non-speaking part laughs

Kid 3 *(On phone)* Mom and dad, it's me! Send help ... wait ... I'm loosin' ya ... you're cuttin' out! Come and get me! *(Quickly)* I lost 'em.

Kid 1 The weather's really messing everything up! Looks like that was our one phone call from jail. *(To Kid 2)* Are you gonna be okay? What are we gonna do now?

Non-speaking part looks worried and scared

Kid 2 *(Doubtful and sad)* I don't know.

Kid 4 Maybe this is not so bad and we can still have some fun!