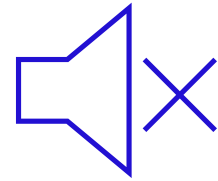




AECT Volunteer Positions Green Room Supervisor



During the final dress rehearsal and each performance, the cast will be in our Green Room area when they are not on stage. Green Room supervisors are volunteers who help maintain quiet and order among the young performers during these times. For most performances, the Green Room is the dance studio down the hall from the auditorium. There are multiple volunteers for each performance, so you are not on your own! Following is some information to help you decide if being a Green Room supervisor is a good fit for you. Thank you for volunteering!

Green Room Supervisor Duties

Before Run (Final Dress Rehearsal Only)

1. Sign up to volunteer for two or more show dates (AECT will send out a sign-up link to families involved in the current show and will also post on social media for others who might want to jump in).
2. Arrive at the assigned time and report to the Green Room.
3. During the show, make sure the cast stays relatively quiet and calm. You may need to help calm nerves for newer actors, quietly arbitrate squabbles, remind cast members to keep their voices down, and so on.
 - a. Cast members are allowed to have a sealed water bottle, but no juice, soda, coffee, etc. Snacks are not allowed unless needed for medical reasons. Performers remain in costume, and these rules help minimize spills and other mishaps.
 - b. Electronics policies can vary by show and cast behavior. The policies on allowed electronics will have been clearly described in the Tech Week Letter, so cast and crew members should be aware of them.
 - c. Performers are encouraged to read, do homework, play quiet games, and generally engage in quiet activities that won't put their costumes, makeup, or selves at risk.
4. Keep an eye out for the Assistant Director and remind cast members to pay attention when the Assistant Director calls them for their entrances. Since the cast is not near the stage and there are no monitors to view the show, the Assistant Director is responsible for calling cast for their scenes.

During Run

1. Same as above.

After Run

1. Nothing!

Supplemental Information

- This is a great volunteer job for people who have experience working with and maintaining order in large groups of children.
- In the event of major behavior issues, please find Nina (making sure another adult always remains in the room).

Random Trivia

Why is it called a Green Room? In short, no one knows. Per Wikipedia, here are some theories:

- Origin often ascribed to such rooms historically being painted green.
- Term also attributed to makeup; long before modern makeup was invented, actors had to apply makeup before a show and allow it to set up or cure before performing. Until it was cured, it was “green,” and people were advised to sit quietly in the “green room” until the makeup was stable enough for performing.
- Studies of medieval theatre in the round indicate that in this period the acting area was called “the green.” This central space, often grass-covered, was used by the actors, while the surrounding space and circular banks were occupied by the spectators.
- The green room was where understudies would wait for their chance to appear on stage. They were the “green” or immature actors.