



2025 FALL SEMESTER: General Information and FAQs

Enrollment in SCCT Classes is open to children ages 3-17. Registrants must be fully potty-trained and independent in the restroom. SCCT Education Programs Manager Jesse Siak can address any questions or needs regarding SCCT classes at **864.235.2885 extension 105** or by email at education@scchildrenstheatre.org.

New student video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dqZHI9eSbn4>

LOCATION SCCT classes occur at South Carolina Children's Theatre at 153 Augusta Street. The entrance is around the back of the building. Look for the DROP OFF sign and the colorful breezeway.

REGISTRATION and NOTIFICATIONS Registration begins July 24, 2025. Prices listed for each class reflect a \$25 early enrollment discount until Aug 8! On Aug 8, online tuition listings will automatically reflect the full tuition amount. To register online, please visit scchildrenstheatre.org, click EDUCATION, and then click CLASSES tabs. Online payment must be made with a credit card. You may also register by phone (please realize Jesse is sometimes teaching instead of at his desk, so leave a detailed msg, please). **Our classes tend to sell out, so don't delay enrolling in the ones that you like.** Following registration, you will receive a confirmation email and a reminder email the week before your class starts. Please pay close attention to the details of your class.

REFUNDS/CANCELLATION If you cancel no later than 10 days before your first class, tuition less a \$40 Class Cancellation Fee will be refunded. No refund or credit will be issued if you cancel less than 10 days before class begins. If your plans change at the last minute, we will gladly switch you to another class if space is available. SCCT reserves the right to cancel classes not meeting enrollment minimums before the first class – tuition will be fully refunded. Classes, faculty, and schedule are subject to change.

WAITING LISTS We keep a waiting list for all classes that fill, and if enough people are on it, we will try to add another session of the class or switch rooms to allow for a higher number of students.

SNACK All 3+hr workshops will take a snack break. **WE DO NOT HAVE STOCKED VENDING MACHINES.** We encourage you to send snack bags & water bottles **LABELED** with your child's name. Please be aware that many children have very serious nut allergies and can be affected if they breathe near children eating nut-based food or touch the hand of a child who has touched nuts. Please avoid sending food that has nuts of any kind in it. For full-day workshops, students will also need a packed nut-free lunch.

WHAT TO WEAR Students should dress comfortably – skirts and dresses are not recommended—light layers are ideal. For young students, please ensure they wear clothes that allow them to successfully undress/redress themselves as needed to go to the bathroom. All students should wear shoes that remain securely on their feet and cover their toes—**NO FLIP-FLOPS OR CLOGS, PLEASE!**

DROP-OFF/PICK-UP PROCEDURES Our Parking Lot is a Pay Lot except for SCCT Students **WITH** a dash card displayed. One will be given at the first class, or please request one at the Education Door if you plan to park and leave your car unattended.

DROP OFF Students may be dropped off at the sidewalk/covered breezeway and walk up to the Education Door independently, or you can park in the lot, and caregivers can escort students to the door. Please only drop off 5 minutes before class starts.

PICKUP All students will be walked out to the car pick-up line at the end of their class. Please line up for your class pickup no earlier than 5 minutes before your class end time—we have multiple classes releasing throughout the day and a fairly small area for cars to line up without blocking traffic on Augusta St. Simply park in our lot until it is time to line up. We do not allow students to walk to a parked car without a caregiver to escort them from the sidewalk. For a student to leave our property unaccompanied, we will need written permission in advance from the parent/guardian.

ON THE FIRST CLASS DAY (week of Aug 25-30)

We will post the SCCT Parking Only sign so only cars with SCCT business can park without being ticketed. Your child will be given a parking pass at the end of their first class and will bring it to you at pick-up. Please put that card

on your dash during your child's class for all remaining class weeks. There will be no one at the curb, so if your child is not familiar & confident with our drop-off procedure, you should plan to park in a space and escort your child into the Education Lobby to sign them in—also a great chance to meet the teacher and assistant for your child's class. We have discovered that very young kids who may not be familiar with public restrooms benefit from their parents showing them how our self-flushing toilets work.

ATTENDANCE If you know in advance that your child will be absent from a class, please directly email the instructor. Because each class builds on skills and activities from the previous week, absences affect preparation for the recorded sharing at the end of the semester. There are no refunds or make-up classes for days your student is absent.

CAREGIVER ATTENDANCE Caregivers and siblings are allowed into the Education Lobby during class times (though not allowed in the actual classrooms except for the SAMPLE classes). Caregivers are welcome to escort their child into the building and meet the teacher, but if you elect to remain during your child's class, please make chairs in the Education Lobby available for our students—it's a busy place! Caregivers may also elect to wait at the end of the breezeway to receive their child at the end of class. Still, please note that we do not allow students to walk to a parked car without a caregiver to escort them from the sidewalk across the traffic lanes. And to leave the property unaccompanied, the teacher will need written permission. From parent/guardian

IN THE EVENT OF SCHOOL CLOSING DUE TO WEATHER, we will determine if the roads seem safe for our afternoon classes. We DO NOT NECESSARILY cancel classes when schools do, as we don't have buses that need to run early in the morning. Your teacher will email you the afternoon of your class if we are canceling and send you the plan for the make-up class.

ACCOMMODATIONS to SPECIAL NEEDS There is a field on the online registration form listing allergies and other special needs. You may also email specifics to your instructor (when you receive your reminder email, which includes their email address a week before your class starts) of any medical conditions, allergies (especially food allergies), learning/processing issues, or special needs that were listed on your registration. Teachers can only accommodate students' specific needs when they are made aware of them. This includes any reading difficulties, processing or stimulus issues, or behavioral anomalies. If given enough advance notice, class activities can be altered, additional staff can be added, or teachers can shift class conduct expectations to ensure that all students are engaged and comfortable. Open communication with families helps us create a successful environment for every student.

PRODUCTION-LEVEL CLASSES are designed for experienced students and will typically run 14 weeks for Fall and Spring (ONStage for 2nd-5th & 6th-12th & ADLIberation require an Audition). By invitation only. We only accept students into these classes who have at least one full year of process-based classes at SCCT (more than one year is preferred) and/or have been recommended by one of our teachers. All PRODUCTION students need to have the same foundational knowledge so that class time can be spent honing previously acquired skills. We will not have time to teach the terminology that should be working knowledge for a student at this level.

Before moving into a PRODUCTION class, students should typically be able to name the parts of the stage, use abbreviations for stage directions and blocking notation, be able to define basic theatrical terms, understand CROoWw, be familiar with Lessac energies and Laban qualities and seek more responsibilities/homework. Students must be willing to repeat material weekly for rehearsal and complete reading assignments within a week. Expectations of behavior, focus, and attendance also rise at the PRODUCTION level. Your current SCCT teacher is always the best reference for whether your child is ready to move up. You should email them regarding your child's progression if you have questions.

Family and friends are invited to a live performance showcase of all SCCT's PRODUCTION classes. Students and parents will get to see what other classes are doing and record any part of the performances as desired. Be sure to mark the date on your calendar for the Production Showcase **Mon, Dec 1st - from 5-8pm!**