

# THE MAINE DANCE ACADEMY

## BARBIE 2025-26

Dear "Auditioners",

September 1, 2025

I want to start by thanking all of you who auditioned for **BARBIE**. It was amazing to see 38 of our students wanting to create an audition to be able to be part of the cast of our upcoming production. All 7 instructors were thoroughly impressed and particularly proud of the time and effort you put into these auditions. It was evident how much our young dancers wanted to be part of the production, and we all recognized that and appreciate it as well. Upon review of each audition, we discussed these elements about each dancer:

- 1-Did the dancer sing and have emotion?
- 2-What skills did the dancer deliver and how well did they do them?
- 3-Is this dancer known to practice in class each week?
- 4- What was the level of their acting for the script part of auditions?
- 5-What attitude does the student exhibit with their instructors and their fellow dancers?

We then asked each instructor to put in order their top 20 auditioners as well as placing the 5 seniors in order of performance. We then assigned a point value for each place: if you were #1 for an instructor, then that person received 20 points, #2 received 19 points and so forth. We tallied the points and the ones with the top points received the largest parts. We almost solely based our decisions this year on what we saw in auditions, between dance and singing performance and how well they acted in the script part of the audition. (and of course always considering how well they practice each week in class). Our auditions have become so competitive that it is inherently more difficult to make these decisions. We have such a hard time cutting anyone, therefore this year because of the need for so many Ken's and Barbie's, we have retained all our auditioning students for cast. Some of you will be fill-ins for when we need extras but this will give you experience needed for future shows.

We will be having a mandatory meeting for **all cast members and a parent** on Wednesday, September 17th at 7:30pm. At this time, we will discuss schedules and costuming for your characters. **It is necessary for all of you to know that we will be having more Sunday practices than we have had in the past due to scheduling conflicts.** Therefore, the weeks that we cannot have practice on Wednesday, they will take place on Sunday. We will discuss this in our first meeting. We are proud of you and we are certainly proud to call you TMDA dancers and tumblers! Congratulations!

With that said here are our decisions for the cast of characters for Barbie.

# **LIST OF CHARACTERS**

**BARBIE:** SADIE HUNTER

**KEN:** MALLORY MAYNARD

**KEN'S BESTIE:** ANNA GRIFFETH

**WEIRD BARBIE:** CATHERINE McCrum2

**ASSISTANT WEIRD BARBIES:** ELLA DILLON, CAMILLA BOMA

**GLORIA:** RHIANNA DESJARDINS

**SASHA:** AIVA ELLIOT

**SASHA'S 2 FRIENDS:** PEYTON HALLET: JADE & JENNA STRID: CHLOE

**MATTEL CEO:** KAYDEN GUERRETTE

**MATTEL'S BODY GUARDS:** ISABELLA ALBERT, EMMA GRAVE

**NARRATOR/PRESIDENT BARBIE:** LIV ADAMS

**TWIN DREAM BARBIES:** EMILY COLLINS, VIV BELL

**AARON DICKENS:** JADYN HOLMES

**PARTY BARBIE:** SHEA BIRMINGHAM

**RAP BARBIE:** KEYAUNA SOUCY

**MIDGE:** KATELYN STEDMAN

**ROCKER BARBIE:** MONROE STONE

**DISCO BARBIE:** ADELYN ELLIOT

**MBA KEN:** GRACE LAGASSE

**DEATH BARBIE:** JADYN HOLMES

**BEACH BARBIE:** DANIKA ALLEN

**TOUGH BARBIE:** MARIGAN MAYNARD

**DOCTOR BARBIE:** LYDIA BRAGDON

**DOG:** ADDY THOMPSON

**MOM IN L.A.:** EMILY COLLINS

**GIRLS WITH DOLLS:** MONROE STONE, ADDYSON THOMPSON, CLARA POWERS, AVA WOOD, SOPHIE BOUCHARD, RAELEEN CLOSSON

**ENSEMBLE KEN CAST:** PIPER WOOLLARD, ADDILYN POWERS, MEREDITH LAHEY, MORGAN LAHEY, KENZIE LABRECK, LAINEY ROCHFORD