

COSTUMES MAINTENANCE

AVAILABILITY REQUIREMENT: Costumes should be inspected monthly and repairs made immediately. Access to sewing machine is helpful. Items to be taken home must be picked up at 11:30am on the day of the Monthly Clean and returned by 9:00am the next school day.

- 1. Inspect the dress up clothes once per month and make any needed repairs. Repair aprons and smocks when necessary. Keep puppets and cloth dolls in good condition.
- 2. Organize the dress-up containers on the first Friday of each month. Also on your co-op or set-up day check the bins and take the opportunity to do organizing then. Make sure that each costume, cape, shoe, etc. is in its proper container.
- 3. Wash/launder the costumes in the dress-up containers on the first Friday of each month. When picking up costumes and dress-up clothes for cleaning, approach teachers and ask if they have specific instructions or priorities for washing/repair of clothes. Use your discretion about skipping washings for costumes that are too delicate or aged to withstand frequent washings. Keep dress up hats as clean as possible.
- 4. On the day of the Monthly Clean, take the dress-up shoes home and spray with Lysol disinfecting spray. Let them <u>air dry</u> for at least 24 hours before packing them back up.
- 5. Create a **Costume/Accessories Wish List** document. At the beginning of the year within the first month of school create this document and meet with the teachers. Ask the teachers what costumes and/or accessories are on their wish list. Then you can watch after Halloween sales, pre-Christmas sales, etc. to purchase items on this list. The first \$40 are incurred as part of your position, keep receipts and see the note below.
- 6. Make new smocks (vinyl/cloth) as requested by the Teachers.
- 7. Please do not throw away any costume or other item, no matter how tattered, without consulting with the Teachers.

Note: Any money spent on completing this job (up to \$40.00) is the responsibility of the jobholder. Amounts in excess of \$40.00 are reimbursed by the school upon request and submission of *all* receipts for all disbursement made on behalf of the school.

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