

Dear Friend:

Thank you for your interest in having a **COUNT ME IN®** Preschool/Kindergarten puppet presentation at your school or organization. **Enclosed is a request form that must be returned to PACER before we can schedule a program. Please include information on where to park and enter the building.**

**COUNT ME IN** is a project of PACER, a national training and information center for families of children and youth with special health needs and all disabilities. The COUNT ME IN show features charming multicultural child-size puppets with disabilities brought to life by trained volunteers. Through entertaining skits and audience interaction, the puppets help to dispel fears, myths and misconceptions about people with disabilities and promote a message of inclusion.

**Audience:** The **COUNT ME IN Pre/K** program is appropriate for children ages 4-6 in preschool and kindergarten. **The material presented is not appropriate for children younger than four; therefore, we ask that no younger children be included.** To allow students to interact with the puppets, **audience size should not exceed 40-60 children.** (A more in-depth presentation is also available for students in first through fourth grades.)

**Cost and Scheduling:** The presentation is about 30-35 minutes long. **The cost is \$75 per presentation. Up to three presentations can be scheduled in a single day** with a one-hour break. Request forms are filed by month requested; then the organization is contacted 4-6 weeks in advance to confirm date, time and number of shows. A written confirmation is mailed 2-3 weeks prior to the show date.

**Site:** The site for the COUNT ME IN presentation can be a quiet gymnasium, media center or classroom large enough to accommodate the students seated on the floor. **We must have access to the room 30 minutes in advance to set up our equipment. Please provide chairs for 3 puppeteers and all adults viewing the show.**

**Evaluation and Follow-Up:** Adults attending the presentation will be asked to complete an evaluation form to help us refine the program and better meet student needs. Students receive a letter of explanation to take home to their families. Each teacher will also be given additional materials for classroom use, including a sign language alphabet, a Braille alphabet, and a copy of the COUNT ME IN song.

If you would like further information, please email us at [puppets@pacer.org](mailto:puppets@pacer.org) or contact PACER Center at (952) 838-9000 and ask for COUNT ME IN. Thank you for encouraging disability awareness in your community!

**COUNT ME IN<sup>®</sup> PUPPET SHOW ON DISABILITY AWARENESS**  
**Preschool/Kindergarten Request for Presentation**  
**Twin Cities Area of Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota**

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIN OFFICE PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CONTACT PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

- PERFORMANCES:**
- 1) 4-6 year olds **ONLY** (no children younger than 4)
  - 2) Maximum of 60 students each show
  - 3) Maximum of three shows can be presented in one day.

**COST:** \$75.00 for one show.      **SEND BILL TO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total number of shows requested** \_\_\_\_\_      **For each show, please list age/ grade level, number of students and number of adults**

Shows	Age/grade level	Number of students	Number of adults
a			
b			
c			

Site/room in school for show: \_\_\_\_\_

**LOCATION FOR PARKING:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DOOR TO ENTER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**BEST PLACE TO UNLOAD EQUIPMENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

Month preferred: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates during selected month **not** available? \_\_\_\_\_

Weekdays/times are that are preferred? \_\_\_\_\_

What time does your school begin? \_\_\_\_\_ Lunchtime(s) \_\_\_\_\_ School Ends? \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for requesting this program \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

Informational letters in English are provided for the students to take home following the program presentation. Please check if you would also like an **original for copying** in any of the following languages:

Hmong \_\_\_\_\_

Somali \_\_\_\_\_

Spanish \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN TO:** PACER Center, Inc. COUNT ME IN<sup>®</sup>, 8161 Normandale Blvd.,  
 Minneapolis, MN 55437-1044; Phone 952-838-9000; **Fax: 952 -838-0199**  
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