



Criteria for Joining and Costume Criteria

Criteria for Joining CAUSEplay for Hope

1. You must be 18 years or older.
2. Be a kind and compassionate individual. CAUSEplay for Hope members want to spread hope, tolerance, and kindness to others.
3. Be responsible, have good time management, and be committed to the mission.
 - a. Joining CAUSEplay for Hope means that you are fully present at events. Please leave your personal social media in the car or at home. CAUSEplay for Hope does not allow private posts from events and discourages self-promoting.
4. Must be able to attend a minimum of one event a year, not including CAUSEplay for Hope meet-ups.
5. Must complete onboarding and annual training.
 - a. Training includes (but is not limited to) Character training, Conduct training, Hospital training, and Handler training.
6. The well-being and entertainment of event guests should come second only to safety.
7. For Hospital Visits/Events
 - a. Must have current immunizations for the flu (October through May, unless otherwise specified).
 - b. Must be vaccinated for COVID-19 per current state/county regulations.
8. For costumed member
 - a. Dedicated to portraying a fictional character and maintaining character integrity.
 - b. Meet Costume Criteria

CAUSEplay for Hope Costume Criteria

1. Costumes must be quality - handmade or bought.
 - a. Costumes, wigs, and props should not come from a party store.
2. Costumes must be from a movie, television, comic, or graphic novel and be readily identifiable.
 - a. Crossovers, mash-ups, or obscure variations of a character will not be accepted or approved.
 - b. Period, sci-fi, or fantasy characters (like pirates and mermaids) should also be reenactor level costumes.
3. Costumes must fit appropriately and be child-appropriate.
 - a. Proper undergarments must be worn (all genders).
 - b. Costumes should not be overly revealing.

4. Costumes, wigs, and props must be kept clean and in good repair.
 - a. All parts of an approved costume should be maintained at the same level that it was approved at.
 - i. Repairs and alterations must be done prior to a costume, wig, or prop being brought to an event.
 - b. Costumes should be clean and free of stains, odors, damage, and obvious last minute alterations (like safety pins).
5. Make-up should be character-accurate and match the source material.
 - a. Foundation should match the complexion of the character volunteer. Eyeshadow, contouring, and highlighting should appropriately compliment the volunteer's skin tone as well as be appropriate for the character.
 - i. Characters with unnatural skin tone (blue, green, red, purple, etc.) are allowed and make-up and body paint should be used to distinguish the character.
 - ii. Foundation and make-up that makes a volunteer to be a different race than the race they identify with is not allowed (i.e. blackface, yellowface, etc).
 - b. Make-up should be set appropriately and be able to last the duration of an event.
 - i. Body paint must be smooth and set.
 - ii. Any touch-ups should be done during breaks, out of sight of the event guests.
 - c. Make-up must be approved during the Costume Approval process.
6. Wigs should be styled and be performance quality.
 - a. Wigs and hair accessories must be approved during the Costume Approval process.
 - b. Wigs and hat accessories should be well maintained and free of odors.
7. Future costume changes or updates to costumes must be approved by the Costume Committee before being worn to an event.
8. All parts of an approved costume must be worn to an event.
 - a. Exceptions due to weather or an on-site malfunction may only be made by the Event Lead.

Failure to follow the CAUSEplay for Hope Criteria for Joining and Costume Criteria may lead to a volunteer being asked to leave an event and/or disciplinary action being taken.

By signing this form you hereby acknowledge and accept all Criteria for Joining and Costume Criteria.

Printed name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____