My name is Kim Walker-Smith and I am the Director of the Jr. Gamma Phi Circus (8th year and counting). I want to welcome you to the 28th year of the Jr. Gamma Phi Circus. I will use this site and emails to give you all the information that you will need to stay up-to-date about practices, events and all other information. The school calendar will be another place that you can check for important dates about practices and show times. I can be reached by email @

kwalke3@ilstu.edu and my office phone number is (309)438-2303. I respond more quickly to emails than phone calls. I look forward to this special year.

**Mark your Calendar for Show Times:**
Thursday, March 26th (school show @1:00pm)  
Friday, March 27th (evening show @ 6:30pm)  
Saturday, March 28th (matinee show @ 2:00pm)

**Registration**
You will register for circus online again this year. Please click here [http://goo.gl/3wnwfQ](http://goo.gl/3wnwfQ) to register each participant in your family. Once you fill out the survey, please pay the $35.00 circus activity fee through the main office or online at [http://goo.gl/IhRBiu](http://goo.gl/IhRBiu) (under other activities) before October 22, 2014. Your child will not be able to practice until they have been registered online and have paid the circus activity fee. Checks can be made out to Thomas Metcalf School.

**Upcoming dates to remember:**

**September 24th:** 3:10 -3:45pm  
Mandatory Meeting for all prospective performers interested in being a part of the circus this year

**September 24th:** 5:30 -6:00pm  
Parent Meeting Q & A--Everyone is invited but this is specifically for any parents of 3rd graders and any new students to Metcalf interested in knowing more details about the JGP Circus program

**October 8th and 15th:** 3:10 -4:30pm  
Mandatory Orientation and Practice for 3rd and 4th graders only

**October 22th:** 3:10-5:00pm  
Full rotation practices will begin

**Rotation 1 practices will include:**
Cylinders, Juggling, Poi, Diablo, Low Tightwire, Unicycles, Rola Bola, Triple Trap, Tumbling (3rd and 4th grade only), Vaulting (3rd and 4th grade only)  
**Stay Late for Rotation 1** 4:30-5:00pm will be High Tightwire, Extra Web practice, Gymwheel

**Rotation 2 practices will include:**
Adagio, In-show clowns, Lyric Hoop, Globes, Tumbling and Vaulting for 5th-8th grade only, Webs, Triangle Trap  
Optional practice for Juggling and Unicycle  
**Stay Late for Rotation 2** 4:30-5:00pm will be Acrodance, Teeterboard, Silks

This schedule will stay the same until January. We will then start having practices in act order to get ready for our shows in March. More information about those schedules will come out later.