

## Educational Touring Theatre (ETT) Program Information

### *The Energy Detective*

**Description:** *The Energy Detective* is a live, one-man, theatre presentation. It is an interactive performance that explores the benefits and drawbacks of different electrical energy sources, and provides energy efficiency strategies. The program is designed for students in grades 4-8.

**Running Time:** *The Energy Detective* runs approximately 60 minutes of performance time.

**Audience Size:** The audience size can be determined by each school's programming needs and performance space size. A maximum of **150 students** is recommended.

**Performance Space:** A minimum performance space of **16' long x 10' deep** is needed. The program may be performed in an auditorium, gym, library, classroom, or any similar facility.

**Set Up:** ETT will **arrive** at your school **1 hour and 30 minutes** prior to the first performance and will need to set up in the performance space at that time. The area must be **completely clear** before ETT arrives (no chairs, volleyball nets, band risers, etc.) All performances should be held in the same performance space.

**Strike:** It will take **1 hour** to clear the stage area after the final performance. If the schedule is such that the performance area must be used for class immediately after the performance (i.e. gym class), it will be possible to move the set and props to one side of the room in about 15 minutes. Please have three students available to help move the materials. Also please alert the teacher that many of the props are valuable and fragile, so that she may plan an appropriate activity that will not potentially harm the materials. If the *Energy Detective* materials will be left out for an extended period of time, please be sure that the area is monitored and secure.

**Dressing Room:** A **private dressing area** will be needed one hour prior to the first performance. A coach's or nurse's office would work very well. A public restroom would not be suitable. Clothing and other material will be left in this room, so it should be **secure** and a key should be provided to the performer if possible.

**Lighting & Sound:** Special **lighting** is not needed. If your facility does have basic stage lighting, its use will enhance the presentation, but it is not required. If stage lighting will be used, please have your lighting person meet the performer one hour prior to the first performance. **ETT will provide its own sound system.** Please locate the nearest power source and verify that it is active prior to ETT's arrival.

**Public Address System:** If possible, have the school **bells** and **public address system turned off** in the performance area during the presentation.

**Discipline:** School staff will be responsible for ensuring **appropriate student behavior** during the performance. Unruly students should be removed promptly.

**Taping Performances:** Video taping, filming, digital recording, and voice recording are **not allowed** without the express written consent of ETT. If you would like to take flash photographs, please talk to the performer prior to the presentation.

**Please see the next sheet for information about the *Energy Casebook* workshop.**

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### ***Energy Casebook Workshop***

**Description:** The *Energy Casebook* is a hands-on workshop that takes students through a series of **directed activities** that explore energy efficiency. Each team of four students is provided with all of the supplies they will use in the workshop.

**Workshop Size:** Due to the high level of student participation, workshop size is limited to a **maximum of 32 students**.

**Running Time:** The *Energy Casebook* runs 45 – 60 minutes. The length of the program will be determined by each individual school's scheduling needs. The longer the workshop, the more the students will get to do.

**Presentation Space:** Students will be working together in teams of four. The best set up would be to have each group seated around their own table. If desks are used, please turn the desks to face each other in teams of four. It would also be possible to have groups seated in circles on the floor.

**Set Up:** The room for the workshop should be set up as described above at least 15 minutes prior to the first workshop session. ETT will only need 10 minutes to set out materials before the first workshop begins.

**Multiple Sessions:** If your school is having multiple sessions of the *Energy Casebook*, it would be best to hold all of the sessions in the **same room**. In this way, workshop time is not used in moving and resetting the classroom. If the workshop must be held in different rooms, please alert ETT at the beginning of your presentation day.

**Discipline:** School staff will be responsible for ensuring **appropriate student behavior** during the workshop. Unruly students should be removed promptly.

**Taping Performances:** Video taping, filming, digital recording, and voice recording are **not allowed** without the express written consent of ETT. If you would like to take flash photographs, please talk to the performer prior to the presentation.

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