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THE NATIONAL TOUR OF THE WIZARD OF OZ ANNOUNCES LOCAL STUDENTS AS MUNCHKINS

Wenatchee, WA-The Town Toyota Center is pleased to announce that local students from within North Central Washington will perform the roles of “munchkins” in the beloved classic **THE WIZARD OF OZ** live on stage in their hometown!

THE WIZARD OF OZ, touching down in at the Town Toyota Center in Wenatchee on Tuesday, November 29 at 7:00 p.m. sounded the alarm to find 10 local children to perform the roles of “munchkins” as part of their continuing arts education. The 10 lucky area students are:

- Emily Brault, Wenatchee age:9
- Kaylee Coble, Wenatchee age: 9
- Emily Davenport, Wenatchee age: 10
- Olivia Fonville, E.Wenatchee age: 8
- Parker Hair, East Wenatchee age: 10
- Gwen McQuaig, Wenatchee age: 10
- Grace Kelly Orallo, Wenatchee age: 10
- Grace Pope, Wenatchee age: 8
- Reilly Schoening, Cashmere age: 11
- Nevaeh Turner, Wenatchee age: 9
- Understudies: Vianna Alatorre, East Wenatchee age: 9 & Tatum Kentor, Wenatchee

Three local experts, Leslie McEwen, Anna Miller and Tracy Trotter, auditioned the students last Sunday at the Town Toyota Center. McEwen, Columbia River Music Conservatory voice teacher, Miller, Artistic Director, Icicle Arts Foundation and Trotter, owner of Academy of Dance and Performing Arts all have performed professionally around the world in many different areas of voice, dance, and theater. The students had an opportunity to learn about an audition and experience the same casting as many other larger cities.

This opportunity will provide the local students with real-life touring theatre experience. They will discover what it's like to be part of a professional company. It's truly a unique experience and incredible opportunity for these aspiring actors/actresses to follow their yellow brick road!

Tickets for **THE WIZARD OF OZ** are on sale now and start as low as \$30. \$5 off for children 12 and under and Seniors 60+ in select price levels. Tickets are available online at www.towntoyotacenter.com or at Town Toyota Center box office or the Wenatchee Valley Mall in East Wenatchee. To Charge-By-Phone, call 509.667.7847. For more information on the tour visit www.wizardofozontour.com.

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