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When my daughter first said that she was interested in trying out for a role in a Melodrama that was being developed and produced by Kayln, my only thought was the additional “time” it was going to add to my / our already overloaded schedule. But as I am one to absolutely support anything venture my daughter would like to try, I of course, said yes. As we started down the road of preparation, auditions, and more practice, I realized how fully invested Kayln was in not only the show, but the kids. Anyone that auditions for a role in one of Kayln’s productions gets a part, regardless of ability; this inclusivity is what sets Kayln and Starbeam Studios apart from many other studios that we have seen or have participated in.

My daughter has now performed in two of Kayln’s productions and is absolutely excited about doing more. Kayln is easy to work with because her focus is on the kids, every step of the way. She has a wonderful way of communicating and reaching her students where they are versus a “cookie cutter” approach.

To say that I am excited about having Starbeam Studios in Delta is an understatement as opportunities for dance and musical theater have been severely lacking in our community; what an amazing “win” for Delta to have those opportunities for our kids under one roof!

