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Local 8-year-old Stars in Feature Film with “The Rock” and Credits Local Acting Coach with Success

COPPELL – Madison Pettis, 8, from Arlington, appears in the latest Disney movie titled *The Game Plan* starring Dwayne “The Rock” Johnson that opens in theatres this weekend.

Pettis, who auditioned in L.A. along with hundreds of children across the nation, plays Peyton James who is the daughter of “The Rock.” The story is of an NFL quarterback living the bachelor lifestyle who discovers that he has a 7-year-old daughter from a previous relationship. Other celebrities in the film include BeBe Neuwirth, who played Lilith in *Cheers*, Morris Chestnut, who starred in *Boyz n the Hood* and *Like Mike*, and Gordon Clapp from *NYPD Blue*.

“The best part of this role is that I got to dance and act,” said Pettis. “It was so fun practicing for the part, because I got to take dance lessons at some of the top ballet schools in L.A., Texas, and Boston – It was so fun!”

Pettis’ acting credits includes playing Sophie on *Cory In The House*; booking a part on *Jericho*, a CBS pilot starring Skeet Ulrich and Gerald McRaney from *Major Dad*, where she played Stacy Clemons; a Barney video titled *Sing that Song* as the character Bridget; an exercise video *Kids in Training – Animacize* (never actually shot); the video *Boz the Bear* as the animated character Bria; *Barney & Friends* on PBS; and a commercial airing in San Antonio for the KENS 5 News Morning Show.

In keeping with the football theme of the movie, Pettis credits much of her success to *her* coach Cathryn Sullivan and has been a member of Cathryn Sullivan’s Acting for Film classes at EveryBody Fits in Coppell.

“Madison is such a joy to work with and is so talented,” said acting coach Sullivan. “She may only be 8 years old, but her maturity in acting definitely goes beyond her years. I couldn’t be more proud of her. She’s really something special.”

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Sullivan recently accompanied Pettis to the premiere and after-party of *The Game Plan* in Los Angeles, CA.

When Pettis is not acting, she enjoys dancing, writing, and working on arts & crafts. Pettis would like to be an actor and dancer when she grows up, and she hopes to some day write, direct, and produce in the film industry.

About Cathryn Sullivan’s Acting for Film and EveryBody Fits

Cathryn Sullivan has coached, and currently coaches, many students who have booked principal, lead, co-starring and starring roles in feature films, television movies, television shows, commercials, voice-overs, and industrials. Her Acting for Film program is located in EveryBody Fits in Coppell, Texas. EveryBody Fits offers the finest artistic and athletic programs for the whole family including Gymnastics, Dance & Drill Team, Cheerleading, Taekwondo, Fitness, Art, Acting, Sports Skills, and a Café. The first of its kind, EveryBody Fits is a uniquely-designed facility providing one place to enroll kids in a diverse set of programs while also allowing parents to focus on their own fitness or leisure desires. To learn more about this announcement or EveryBody Fits, visit our Web site at www.EveryBody-Fits.com or call 972.471.2345.

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