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# Welcome to the 2015 - 2016 Woodbury High School Theatre Season

Your Student is part of the musical, which means...
You are a member of the WHS Speech and Theatre Boosters!

Congratulations on your student being part of **Thoroughly**Modern Millie and welcome to theatre at Woodbury High School!
We thank you ahead of time for your support and time. As a
parent of a cast or crew member, we rely on you to help us with a
number of tasks from now through the end of the show.

The Booster organization supports the directors, crew, families, and students involved in Woodbury High School Theatre which includes the Fall Musical, the One Act Play, and the Spring Play.

We are pleased to welcome back Marcie Berglund as the director of our fall musical. Our own Daryl Timmer is back as Co-Director and Vocal Director as is Tark Katzenmeyer as the director of our live orchestra. A new addition is Katie Roche as costumer.

We have participated in the Hennepin Theatre Trust Spotlight Award Program for the past two years. We have received several awards and a number of our students got to perform on stage at the Orpheum. We are excited to participate in the Spotlight Program again this year! Our goal is an Outstanding Overall Production Award so that our entire cast gets to sing a medley on stage at the Orpheum!

\*\* Several volunteer areas are currently headed by parents of seniors. Please consider shadowing the position this year in order to move into the position next year. \*\*

## Volunteer Opportunities

## House Manager

- Arrive one hour before show time.
- Will remain in cafeteria throughout show.
- Answer questions and keep it quiet. Bring a book!

#### **Tickets**

- Two volunteers are needed for each show.
- Please arrive 70 minutes before show.
- This is best done on a night when you do not have tickets for the show since you will be asked to stay 20-30 minutes after the start of the show.

#### Concessions (Shadow needed)

- Six volunteers are needed for each show.
- Three will need to come 75 minutes before the show starts to help set up tables, make popcorn and sell concessions before the show.
- When the show begins, the stand will be closed.
- All six need to leave the show 15 minutes before intermission to prepare for intermission.
- After intermission, there is a brief clean-up performed by the later three.

#### Ushers

- Four volunteers are needed for each show.
- Please arrive 45 minutes before the show starts
- Hand out program and help people find seats if needed.
- During show please remain at the doors during the show to seat latecomers and control access so the actors are not disturbed by the noise of the door opening and closing.
- During intermission remind patrons that food or beverages (except water) are not allowed in the auditorium.

## Donation Table (Open position)

 Responsible for greeting guests and collecting the items they may bring for service project.
 Please pack up the donated items and store in the auditorium after the show.

## Stargrams (Open position)

- Four volunteers are needed for each show.
- Please arrive 30 minutes before the show.
- When the show begins, the stand will be closed
- You will leave the show before intermission to be ready to sell during intermission..
- · Younger siblings can help as runners.

## **Backstage Parents**

- Two volunteers are needed for each show.
- Arrive 20 minutes before the show. This is a pretty simple job, you might want to bring a book.
- You are here primarily in case an emergency should arise. You might also zip a zipper, button a button,or make sure things stay quiet off stage.
- Volunteers stay in the hallways with the actors to provide assistance and keep it quiet.

## Before/After performances:

## Meal Assistance: (Shadow needed)

- 1. Multiple dates. Help set up, serve, guard hallways, and clean up after cast meals.
- Donate a dessert or water

Ticket Sales: Multiple dates. Some evenings, some during day.

**Sewing Assistance:** Help with sewing of costumes and other simple sewing tasks.

**Set Construction:** Parent help needed with set construction including building and painting.

**Set Strike:** Assist the directors in overseeing set strike.

DO NOT purchase tickets on nights that you volunteer for House Manager, Tickets, Concessions, Usher, Star Grams, or Back Stage Parent.

We try to reserve seating in the back for our volunteers during the show as space & position permits.

## Opening Night Gala

We welcome you to an Opening Night Reception following the November 13th performance.

This event is still in the planning stages and we will need many volunteers for planning, decorating, and serving. We are planning on serving desserts and refreshments.

We are looking for additional volunteers to help with this event. If you think you may be able to help us, please contact Bob or Katie Roche at woodburystboosters@gmail.com.





Evening performances at 7 PM: Nov. 13, 14, 19, 20, and 21.

Matinee at 3 PM: Nov. 15.

## WHS Theatre Tradition Of Giving Back To The Community

Musical theatre is a work of heart as much as a work of art. The WHS theatre family puts their whole heart into every production and we show that heart with a project that reaches out and supports our community.

This year the cast, musicians, and crew of "Thoroughly Modern Millie" will join together to collect toiletries and personal care items to help local women who have been victims of human trafficking.

It's no mystery that the efforts of our talented kids combined with the generosity of their families and the WHS audience will help improve the lives of lots of deserving people in Woodbury and St. Paul.



## Senior Showcase

Your child will be bringing home a form to include information and a picture on the Senior Showcase board.

This needs to be turned in by October 23. Please help your student with this. The picture should be  $5 \times 7$ .

## Check Out Our Website! www.whssppeechtheatre.com

The WHS Theatre Booster website keeps students and parents informed about booster activities. We invite you to visit the website. From there, you can:

- Access Booster information and the Boosters Communication Form
- · Order Tickets online for the Fall Musical.
- View a Calendar for rehearsal schedules and performance dates.
- Find volunteer information and links to Sign-Up Genius where you can sign up for volunteer positions.
- Find contact information for the WHS
   Theatre Booster Chairs and open chair positions.
- View Advertising Information for community businesses who wish to support theatre at Woodbury High School.
- The Spring Play will have a tab as well
- The One-Act Play will also have a page for information.
- Take a few minutes to visit our website and let us know what you think. We welcome your input and suggestions.

WHS Theatre Boosters

## Ticket Information

Tickets to "Thoroughly Modern Millie" may be purchased in two different ways.

## Online Ordering Information

- Go to <u>www.whsspeechtheatre.com</u>
- Click on Tickets tab.
- Payment is through a PayPal account and funds are directed to the school district.
   The WHS Theatre Boosters Do Not receive any funds from ticket sales.
- WHS Theatre Booster Members will receive preferential ticket fulfillment prior to tickets being available to the general public.
- · All online tickets will be held at will-call.

## In-Person Ticket Purchase

- At conferences on October 22 & 28 from 3:15 to 7:30 PM
- · After school Nov. 9 & 10 from 3 to 7:30 PM.
- During school lunch from 11:15 to 1:00 Nov.
   9, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19.
- One hour before each performance as tickets are available.





## Fees

To clarify any potential confusion about the fees that go along with being part of a WHS Theatre production, we have laid out the following guide:.

## Payment # 1: To District 833

- District 833 Activity Fee: \$65.00 required
   fee, payable by check to WHS.
- Please register your student for the fall musical online at <u>www.whsactivities.org</u>. Note this is a different website from the Boosters website.
   Scholarships are available. Payment is by check to WHS; it CANNOT be made online. Contact the Activities Office for more information.

## Payment # 2: To WHS Theatre Boosters

- The following fees help offset costs of production that the Boosters cover.
- Cast and Crew Meals: The Boosters buy six meals for each member of the cast and crew from local restaurants during Tech Week. The cost of this is \$30.00. Vegetarian options are available.
- T-Shirts: T-Shirts are optional but we will be wearing the t-shirts for a cast and crew photograph for the program. Kids who do not purchase a t-shirt will be asked to wear a similar colored shirt for the photograph.
- Donations: The Boosters receive no revenue from ticket sales and no funding from the school district. Instead of asking kids to do fundraising, we ask each family that is able to do so to make a contribution. As a thank you, families that make a contribution of \$25.00 or more will receive a DVD of professional photographs of the cast, crew, and orchestra during production and performances.
- Royal Theatre Spirit Wear: New this year!
   Show your pride with our new clothing items.