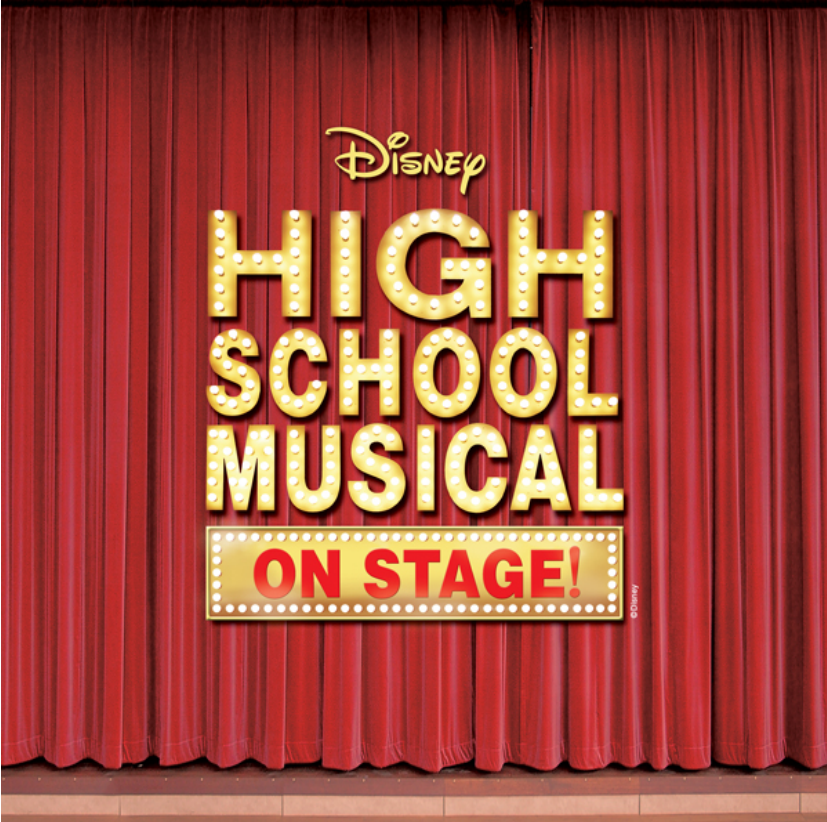


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Grove City High School



March 18th, 19th, 20th, and 21st

Grove City High School

GROVE CITY HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE

PRESENTS



Book by **David Simpatico**

Songs by **Matthew Gerrard and Robbie Nevil; Ray Cham, Greg Cham and Andrew Seeley; Randy Petersen and Kevin Quinn; Andy Dodd and Adam Watts; Bryan Louiselle; David N. Lawrence and Faye Greenberg; Jamie Houston**

Music Adapted, Arranged and Produced by
Bryan Louiselle

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Characters

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| Troy Bolton..... | Joe Cashetta |
| Chad Danforth..... | Parker Felumlee |
| Zeke Baylor..... | Ian Loomis |
| Jason (Basketball)..... | Nicholas Deliduka |
| Sharpay Evans..... | Grace James* |
| Ryan Evans..... | Maximillian Warren |
| Jane (Thespian)..... | Abby Mayer |
| Susan (Emotional Thespian)..... | Ava Stammen |
| Cathy (Eager Thespian)..... | Sydney Kintz |
| Alan (Flair for Couture)..... | Brayden Hyder |
| Cyndra (Operatic Aspirations)..... | Maddie Jarrell* |
| Gabriella Montez..... | Lexi Barnett |
| Taylor McKessie..... | Kat Lutz |
| Martha Cox..... | Brooklyn Dustman |
| Kratnoff (History Buff)..... | Grace Davis |
| Ripper (Skater Dude)..... | Alison Ringhiser |
| Mongo (Skater Dude)..... | Nicholas Garcia |
| Jack Scott..... | Cruz Stock |
| Kelsi Neilsen..... | Millie Johnson |
| Ms. Darbus..... | Bella Palaia* |
| Coach Bolton..... | Sarge |

Chorus

Audrey Brace
Chloe Deffenbaugh
Kenzie Wilkins
Allyson Kinner

Zennia Lam
Brooke Vehorn
Nathan Jackson

*denotes Senior
T denotes ITHS Member

STORY OF THE PLAY

It's the first day after winter break at East High. The Jocks, Brainiacs, Thespians and Skater Dudes find their cliques, recount their vacations and look forward to the new year. Basketball team captain and resident jock, Troy, discovers that the brainy Gabriella, a girl he met singing karaoke on his ski trip, has just enrolled at East High. They cause an upheaval when they decide to audition for the high school musical that is being led by Ms. Darbus. Although many students resent the threat posed to the "status quo," Troy and Gabriella's alliance might just open the door for others to shine as well.

SETTING

ACT I

Scene 1: East High School Steps (& Ski Lodge)- Monday, 7:45 AM

Scene 2: Ms. Darbus's Homeroom- Monday, 8:00 AM

Scene 3: Hallway- Monday, 8:15 AM

Scene 4: Gym- Monday, 8:30 AM

Scene 5: Chemistry Lab- Monday, 2:00 PM

Scene 6: Theater- Monday, 3:00 PM

Scene 7: Theater- Tuesday, 3:00 PM

Scene 8: Various Places- Tuesday, Evening

Scene 9: Cafeteria- Wednesday, Noon

****There will be a 15-minute intermission after Act One****

ACT II

Scene 1: Rooftop Garden- Wednesday, 12:30 PM

Scene 2: Sharpay's Locker- Wednesday, 12:30 PM

Scene 3: Study Hall- Wednesday, 1:00 PM

Scene 4: Gym- Wednesday, 3:30 PM

Scene 5: Locker Room/Lab- Wednesday, 4:00 PM

Scene 6: Isolated Spaces- Wednesday, Evening

Scene 7: Rehearsal Room- Thursday, 12:30 PM

Scene 8: Theater- Thursday, 12:45 PM

Scene 9: Study Hall- Thursday, 1:00 PM

Scene 10: Lab/Theater/Locker Room & Gym- Friday, 3:00 PM

Scene 11: Gym- Friday, 5:00 PM

Bows



Stage Manager.....Viv Rodriguez
Assistant Stage Manager.....Greg Pitz
Tech Crew Heads.....Helen Renninger
Costume Designer.....Dylan Pinkerton*

Build Crew

Nick Bungart*, Faith Gay*, Greg Pitz

Backstage Crew

Viv Rodriguez and Greg Pitz

Tech Crew

Nick Bungart*, Ciera Feucht, Faith Gay*, Ari Morrow, Greg Pitz,
Helene Renninger, Ty Sherrick

Costume Crew

Dylan Pinkerton*

Pit Orchestra

Brennan Harris**, Keyboard 1
Ben Adams, Keyboard 2
Damon Barnett**, Guitar 1
Evan Rardon, Guitar 2
Ryan Armstrong*, Bass
Micah Baltzer, Drums
Katie Thrun and Kaiden Yowell, Percussion

*denotes Senior
**denotes Professional

Special Thanks to...

Our principals: Bryan O'Shea, Holly Gilbert, Zachary Wiard, and Dr. Kris Sander. Superintendent, Dr. Bill Wise, and Deputy Superintendent, David Stewart, and Executive Director of Secondary Education, Dr. Erik Shuey. The Board of Education for their continued support of the arts in our schools. Mike Berry and the entire GCHS Custodial Staff. Jeff Neff for his tireless work on sets, lights, and sound. Sandra Straight for her help with budgets. Joanna Kinner for coordinating seating. Meredith Ackerman and the staff at the District Print Shop for printing our posters and playbills. My family, for supporting me and the drama program for all these years. Sorry, if I forgot someone...
Mostly, to the parents and staff at GCHS: We could not put on shows season after season without your support and dedication.

-Stefanie McConnell



Who's Who in the Cast?

Lexi Barnett (Gabriella Montez) has been involved with the GCHS Drama Department for all three years of her high school career, being part of the makeup crew for the fall plays, and on stage for the spring musicals. Lexi is heavily involved in other music programs here at the school, being a member of the marching band's drumline, as well as a member of Chorale and Touch Of Class. She would like to thank her parents for allowing her to pursue everything she ever wanted and her best friend Morgan and her mother Jill for making it to every performance she's ever had and believing in her from the start.

Audrey Brace (Chorus) joins the cast for her first year in Drama club, in the production of *High School Musical*. She hopes of growing her theater career as a high schooler, and loves the idea of it. Audrey has never been in a production before this year, so it is all new to her. She is also in Marching band, swim team, and track, on top of drama. She has many goals and aspirations to live out, and can't wait to participate in more. She would like to thank her mom for helping in every way to follow her interests, and taking her to all the rehearsals.

Joe Cassetta (Troy Bolton) has been in 3 productions here at GCHS including *Bye Bye Birdie* (Harvey Johnson), *Mamma Mia* (Harry Bright), and now *High School Musical*. Joe is a member of Touch of Class and Chorale. He wants to thank his family and friends for unconditional love and support. Joe is excited to put this show on and he is so grateful for this opportunity.

Grace Davis (Kratnoff) has been in the GCHS Drama Club for three years. She was in the chorus for *Bye Bye Birdie* and *Mama Mia*. She was also part of the tech crew for *Puffs* and *Choose your Heist*. She is very excited to continue her time in drama club this year and next.

Chloe Deffenbaugh (Brainiac) has been in the GCHS Drama Club for three years. She was in *The Adventures of Norm Almon*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, and *High School Musical*. She was also in crew for multiple productions too.

Nicholas Deliduka (Jason) has been in at least 10 productions at the Little Theater Off Broadway in the children's group, he played Ben/Lisa in LTOB's adult production of *Disaster!* (2018) and was one of the Newsboys in LTOB's production of *Gypsy* (2020). In addition to his love of the stage, he is also in show choir and plays French Horn as well as the ukulele, piano, trumpet, and mellophone for marching band. He hopes to one day go to culinary school. He would like to thank his parents for encouraging him to perform.

Mark Dennis (Coach Bolton) is making his comeback to the stage in his role as Coach Bolton. Mr. Dennis also participated in the school's production of *Fiddler on the Roof* as a featured dancer in the Bottle Dance. He is a Special Education teacher and is excited to work with these great students on this great show!

Brooklyn Dustman (Martha Cox) joins the cast for her second show at GCHS having previously been a dance captain in the chorus for *Mamma Mia!*. She has eight years of previous dance experience, including two seasons performing in BalletMet's *The Nutcracker*. Brooklyn is a member of the GCHS Marching Band, Touch of Class, advanced women's chorus, and an officer for both the Student Council and the Student Body. She is excited to share the stage with an amazing cast and to perform amidst all the craziness of this school year.

Parker Felumlee (Chad) Parker has performed in the high school's theater program for three years now. His most notable role was J. Finch Fletchley in last year's production of *Puffs*. Parker is also vice president of drama club and plans on pursuing musical theater in college. He is excited to be in his first lead in a musical and hopes you all enjoy his sweet basketball skills.

Nicholas Garcia (Chorus) is thrilled to be singing and dancing once again on the GCHS stage. He previously appeared in *Bye Bye Birdie* and *Mamma Mia* as a chorus member. He is a member of the GCHS Band, Orchestra, Choir, Student Council, and other activities. He would like to thank his family and friends for giving him this opportunity and helping him get through the hardships that this year has brought.

Brayden Hyder (Alan) has been with the GCHS Drama Club for three years now participating in crew and chorus line for play productions and musicals such as *Bye Bye Birdie* and *Mamma Mia!* He also participates in the school's band and show choir groups.

Grace James (Sharpay Evans) has been in theater for all 4 years of high school. She is sad to say farewell to the program but is excited for what comes next. Sending her thanks and love to her family, friends, and, of course, Mrs. McConnell. She knows they have shown her that, no matter what, we're all in this together.

Madelyn Jarrell (Cyndra) is a senior and in her second year of being in the musical. She was a part of the chorus for Mamma Mia, and is a part of the cast this year in High School Musical. She was in the pit orchestra for Bye Bye Birdie as well playing trumpet. She is very involved in the music program here at GCHS, with marching/concert bands, show choir, and chorale. After high school, she plans to study vocal performance and music education at Berklee College of Music. Maddie wants to thank her parents, friends and directors for loving and supporting her throughout high school.

Nathan Jackson (Chorus) makes his stage debut in his role in the chorus. He is a freshman and is also involved in TOC Show Choir. He would like to thank his friends and family for their support, and he looks forward to more shows while he is here at GCHS.

Millie Johnson (Kelsi Neilsen) is a junior and has been part of the drama program since her freshman year. She performed with the cast as an extra in *The Adventures of Norm Allman*, a member of chorus in *Bye Bye Birdie*, and worked with the crew in *Puffs*. She is excited to take on a role in *High School Musical* and would like to thank her family and friends for supporting her dreams and encouraging her to never stop trying.

Allyson Kinner (Chorus) is a sophomore and has been involved in theatre for 4 years (middle and high school), both on stage and behind the scenes. Her favorite production so far has been Mamma Mia, although it was canceled due to the pandemic. She has also been a member of the GCHS Class Act Show Choir for two years and is excited to perform for live audiences again. Allyson would like to thank Mrs. McConnell and Mr. Roseberry for the opportunity to perform in one of her favorite childhood musicals. She would also like to thank her mom for always showing her all the love and support in the world.

Sydney Kintz (Cathy) Sydney has been doing theater for 7 years, but she is making her debut with Grove City High School. Sydney has played many leading roles including Alice in *Alice in Wonderland* and Scrooge in *Christmas Carol*. Sydney plans on being apart of Grove City High School's Drama Club throughout her high school career. She would like to thank the cast and crew for being so welcoming and supportive.

Zennia Lam (Chorus) has been involved in theatre for the past 6 years and is in her third year with GCHS! She is also the Drama Club's historian and is in show choir, symphony orchestra, and Chorale. She is so excited to have the chance to perform and spend more time with her friends during this weird year. Zennia has hopes to continue performing outside of high school. She wants to thank her friends and family for all the love and support!

Ian Loomis (Zeke): has been performing since 8th grade when he first started acting at the Little Theatre off Broadway in downtown Grove City. He has played many different types of roles including Fezziwig from *A Christmas Carol* and just last year, would have been playing as Bill Austin, one of the dads in *Mamma Mia!* Ian finds it refreshing that he gets to play someone who is technically considered comedic relief in this musical because it is something that he can enjoy the most when in a musical. Ian can't wait to see what's in store for next year. He'd also like to thank his family and friends for putting up with him, as well as his choir director, Ms. Johnson, for helping me be prepared to take on this role

Kat Lutz (Taylor McKessie) has now been in three musical productions within the GCHS Drama Department. These shows include Alice in *Bye Bye Birdie* and a chorus member in *Mamma Mia*. She is also involved in GCHS's Touch of Class show choir, Chorale, and varsity tennis. She is very grateful for the opportunity to participate in this production with her friends. She would like to thank her family and her friends for being incredibly supportive, always.

Abby Mayer (Jane) has been involved in the GCHS theater productions for the past three years, including the musical *Bye Bye Birdie* as well as the plays *The Adventures of Norm Allman* and *Puffs*. During her time at GCHS, she has also been involved in numerous choirs, most recently Chorale and Harmonia, becoming a section leader for Harmonia this past year. Music has always been one of her favorite parts of life, and she is excited to be involved in this year's production of *High School Musical*. She would like to thank her friends and family for supporting her ambitions and dreams during her time in high school and for keeping her hope alive this past year. She wishes everyone the best of luck and can't wait to perform for everyone again.

Bella Palaia (Ms. Darbus) has been involved in the GCHS Drama Club for three years. She was involved in the ensembles of both *Bye Bye Birdie* and *Mamma Mia!*, and participated as Xavia Jones (among others) in *Puffs*. She was also involved in *Choose Your Heist* as Sullivan and as assistant to the director. After high school she plans to study drama with an emphasis in acting. She would like to thank Mrs. McConnell for being the best mentor she could have asked for. The friends she has made here have become like family, and she would like to thank them as well for all their support. Go Wildcats!!!

Alison Ringhiser (Ripper) has only been involved in the theatre department and the drama club for one year, but she has grown to love every aspect of it. Alison was part of tech crew for the fall production of *Choose Your Heist* and has been in show choir for 5 years. She wants to thank her friends and family for supporting her throughout this crazy year.

Ava Stammen (Susan) joins us for her first year doing theater at Grove City High School. She has been a part of Little Theater Off Broadway for nine years, and she has been in numerous productions such as *Schoolhouse Rock*. She plans on being in many more productions throughout her time at GCHS.

Cruz Stock (Jack Scott) is a junior and has been part of the GCHS Drama Club for all three years. He's been involved in numerous productions in middle school and Little Theatre Off Broadway (LTOB), and at GCHS where he was in chorus in *Bye Bye Birdie*. Around Grove City he participates in a number of musical groups. This includes Chorale (top concert choir), Touch of Class (mixed show choir), Symphonic Band, Symphonic Orchestra, and marching band where he is a field commander/drum major. Cruz would like to thank Mrs. McConnell, Mr. Roseberry, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Graham, and Mr. Traini for providing one of the best experiences for arts students in the state. He would also like to thank his parents out of fear of being yelled at for not thanking his parents. Cruz hopes that you enjoy the show and know that if you don't, you're dead to him.

Max Warren (Ryan Evans) has been a part of the theatre world for 7 years now and has played numerous roles such as Pugsley in *Addams Family*, Kristoff in *Frozen*, Bert Healy in *Annie*, and Christopher robin in *Winnie the Pooh*. This is his first production at GCHS and he is looking forward to many more throughout his high school career. Max is also in Touch of Class and Men's Chorus. He is overwhelmed with the love and support he receives from his family and friends and he can't wait to "bop to the top" on the stage!

Brooke Vehorn (Chorus) has been dancing for 13 years. She has had the opportunity to perform in Disney Springs twice. Brooke was also a part of drama club's build crew last year before quarantine. She can also wiggle her ears.

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Allyson Kinner

This is it!! You're favorite childhood musical!! Keep it FABULOUS and no status quo! I'm so proud of your hard work and love to watch you perform!
Love, Mom



Lexi Barnett and Joe Cassetta

We are so proud of you! We love to hear you both sing. Way to dream big dreams and make them happen! Keep shooting for the stars.
Love, Mom and Dad Barnett



Millie Johnson

We are so very proud of you, Millie Gene. You are beautiful inside and out. We love you.
Mom, Dad, Abby, Mimi & Pop, Nana, Bella, & Ollie



Ava Stammen

Congrats on performing in your first high school musical, Ava! We're proud of you and love you!
Mom, Dad & Aidan

Joe Cashetta and Lexi Barnett

We are super proud and excited that you get to share this experience together. We love watching you both perform and we know you're going to be amazing. Congratulations to you and the rest of the cast!!

Love, Mom, Dad and Grandma Bernie





Grace Davis

Good Luck with the show. We are very proud of you!

Love you,

Mom, AJ, Aiden, and Zo



Ian Loomis

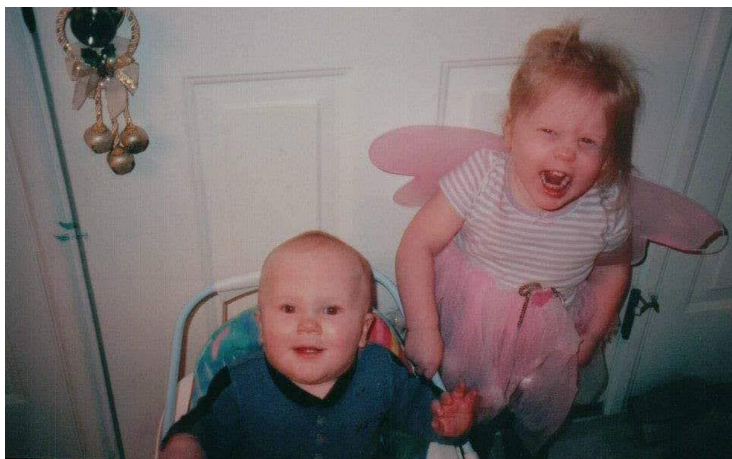
Have a great show! We love you. By the way, when are you gonna make us an apple pie?



Nicholas Garcia

From your first time on stage to now, you never cease to entertain us. Break a leg and remember..... DGDS!!!!

Love, Mom and Dad



Grace James

Performing and entertaining is who you are. Love watching you shine and can't wait to see what else life has in store for you. Love!



Bella Palaia

Bella, This is your last "Musical" at GCHS. I remember bringing you to see *Addams Family*. You said that you wanted to be up on stage performing with the other actors. You found out what you needed to do and auditioned for *Bye Bye Birdie*. What a great experience you had being a part of the ensemble. You were hooked. Your next opportunity to be on stage was *Puffs*.

Your ability to act was highlighted as you played 7 roles in the show: Headmaster #1, Professor McG, Professor Lany, Professor Sprout, Runes and Arithmancy teachers and Xavia Jones. *Mamma Mia!* was slated as the 2020 Spring Musical. You worked so hard learning all the ensemble numbers. During Tech Week, the show was cancelled. For the first time the show did not go on. It was devastating. Quarantine also took away the Shadow Box Student Boot Camp. An opportunity you earned in an audition competing against other high school students all over the Columbus area. This summer looked bleak for actors everywhere. Finally the opportunity to act again happened last Fall as you played Sullivan in *Choose Your Heist*. This show would be different. Everything was pre-recorded and streamed online. You were given the opportunity to be a Student Director. And realized you loved being behind the scenes as much as you loved being in the spotlight. Now here we are, you are Ms. Darbus in *High School Musical*. A perfect role for you. You are acting as a theatre director. Shine your light, Bella! Enjoy every minute! Wherever you land, Capital or Hofstra, you will be amazing in the theatre department.

We love you,
Mom, Dad, Nate and Gabbie

Ryan Armstrong

To Ryan Armstrong, our senior in orchestra on electric bass: You've made us tremendously proud in the amazing young man you've become. As our "music man" on bass, tuba, piano and voice, you've brought us such joy, through all of the bands, choirs, combos, casts, and orchestras that you've participated in all of these years at GCHS and LTOB. We can't wait for the adventures you'll take as you soar to new heights in air transportation at OSU and beyond!

We'd also like to give a shout out to ALL the students in this orchestra 🤗
....we appreciate your talent and dedication that you bring to each performance. You ROCK this HSM!

LYFTETTTMTTSTTSABA!

Love, your family



Who's Who in the Crew?

Nick Bungart (Tech and Build Crew) is a senior at Grove City and this is his first show on any crew. He helped build and paint the set and is helping out with video production and the camera operation for our streamed content.

Ciera Feucht (Tech Crew) is a junior at Grove City High School. This is her third year in drama club and the fifth show she has participated in. Ciera was in chorus for *Bye Bye Birdie* and *Mamma Mia!* And was a part of the tech crew for *Puffs* and *Choose Your Heist*. She is also the secretary of the Drama Club and is excited for this production.

Faith Gay (Tech and Build Crew) is a senior this year. Her first production with Drama Club was *The Addams Family* during her freshman year. She has participated in tech in every production since, except for *Bye Bye Birdie*. Faith has enjoyed her year with Drama Club and misses the friends who graduated and will miss the friends she will leave.

Charley Ichrist (Build and Backstage Crew) is super excited to be a part of the crew on this year's production of "High School Musical." This will be her third show she will have worked on in her two years of Drama Club. Charley is super thankful to have worked with so many amazing people during such a tiring time. She is even more thankful to my mom for driving me to and from rehearsal.

Ari Morrow (Tech Crew) is a junior at Grove City High. This is her third year in the drama club and is the fourth show she has participated in. Ari has helped behind the scenes in tech for *The Adventures of Norm Allman*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, *Puffs* and *Choose Your Heist*, as well as this year's musical. Ari is excited to work with the club further.

Greg Pitz (Tech and Build Crew) is a sophomore this year making this their third show at Grove City High School with this being their second show working with the sound crew. He wishes to thank his family for all the things they have had to do to help Greg work with the show.

Helene Renninger (Tech Crew Head) is a junior at Grove City High School. She has participated in the drama club since freshman year. When she isn't in a dark theatre, Helene also enjoys cycling, drawing, and graphic design. She is excited to see how this production turns out.

Viv Rodriguez (Stage Manager) is so excited to be a part of this production. She has been doing theatre for 4 years and adores it. Viv has been Assistant Stage Manager for Puffs and Stage Manager for Choose Your Heist. She wants to thank everyone involved with this performance because they are what made it an absolute blast. She also wants to thank her friends, family, and mentors. This one's for you, Leeann.

Ty Sherrick (Tech Crew) works the lighting for the production. He has been in the GCHS Drama Club for three years now.



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