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Atholton High School Theatre activities 2018-2019

6/19/2018 edition *revised dates since the last edition **No Food, Drink, Candy, Gum or Backpacks in the auditorium**

It's A Wonderful Life (a live radio play)

by Joe Landry (performs Nov. 10-17)

This beloved American holiday classic comes to captivating life as a live 1940s radio broadcast. With the help of an ensemble that brings a few dozen characters to the stage, the story of idealistic George Bailey unfolds as he considers ending his life one fateful Christmas Eve.

Fall play auditions: Tuesday & Wednesday, Sept. 4 & 5, 2:15-4:00

Shrek the Musical

(performs March 28-31)

Music by Jeanine Tesori; Book and Lyrics by David Lindsay-Abaire; Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the book by William Steig.

Shrek The Musical is a Tony Award-winning fairy tale adventure, featuring all new songs from Jeanine Tesori (*Thoroughly Modern Millie; Fun Home*) and a sidesplitting book by David Lindsay-Abaire. *Shrek* brings all the beloved characters from the film to life and proves there's more to the story. It's the tale of an unlikely hero who finds himself on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking Donkey and a feisty princess who resists her rescue. Throw in a short-tempered bad guy, a cookie with an attitude and over a dozen other fairy tale misfits, and you've got the kind of mess that calls for a real hero... and his name is Shrek!

Spring Musical auditions: Mon.-Thurs., Nov. 26-29 by appointment

Th., Aug. 30	9:00 AM	9 th Grade Orientation
Tues., Sept. 4	2:15-4:00	Fall Play Auditions
Wed., Sept. 5	2:15-4:00	Fall Play Auditions
Thurs., Sept. 6	2:15-4:00	Fall Play call-backs (Cast list online by Sun., 9/9/18, 4 PM or sooner)
	7:00 PM	AHS Back To School Night
Mon., Sept. 17	2:30-3:00	Fall Play 1 st TECH meeting
	3:00-4:30	Improv auditions (AHI Tuna) <i>No experience required</i>
	6:30-9:30	Drama Boosters General Meeting (Media Center) & Fall Play read thru (auditorium) REQUIRED meeting for cast & parents of cast members; tech & parents encouraged to attend
Tu, Oct. 2	7:30	Drama Boosters Meeting in C-144
Sat., Oct. 13	11:00 AM	Homecoming Parade, Football game 1:00 PM
Wed., Oct. 17	2:20-3:00	Spring Musical Audition Workshop
	7:00 PM	Fall Concert
Sun., Nov. 4	1:00-3:30 PM	Performing & Visual Arts College Fair @ Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center - Washington, DC More info available from https://www.nacacfairs.org/attend/pva/washington-dc/
Tu, Nov. 6		General Election Day
	7:30 PM	Drama Boosters Meeting at the Underwood home
Sat., Nov. 10	7:00 PM	Fall Play performance
Sun., Nov. 11	3:00 PM	Fall Play performance
Thurs., Nov. 15	10:14 AM	Fall play in school performance
Fri.-Sat., Nov. 16-17	7:00 PM	Fall Play performances
Mon., Tues., Wed., Nov. 26-28	2:30-9:00	<i>Spring Musical</i> auditions

Mon., Dec. 3	2:30-3:00 3:30-5:30 6:30-9:15	<i>Spring Musical</i> TECH meeting Individual Post-Audition Feedback (by appointment) Drama Boosters General Meeting & <i>Spring Musical</i> read thru:
<i>REQUIRED meeting for parents of musical cast members; orchestra, tech & their parents encouraged to attend</i>		
Wed.-Thurs., Dec. 12-13	7:00 PM	AHS Band, Orchestra Concerts
Tues., Dec. 18	7:00 PM	AHS Choir Concert
Wed., Dec. 19	7:00 PM	Wednesday Night Live! AHI Tuna Improv Performance5
<i>Sat., Dec. 22-Tues., Jan. 1: winter break</i>		
Thu. Jan. 3	8:00-3:00 PM	HCPSS Theatre & One Act Festival @ HCC
Mon. Jan. 7	8:00-3:00 PM	HCPSS Theatre & One Act Festival @ HCC (SNOW DATE)
	7:00 PM	ACI (All County Improv) @ HCC
Wed, Jan. 9	7:30 PM	Drama Boosters Meeting in C-144
Fri. Jan. 11	7:00 AM-11:00 PM	Maryland Thespian Festival (Towson University)
Sat., Jan. 12	7:00 AM-8:00 PM	Maryland Thespian Festival (Towson University)
Fri., Jan. 18	7:00 PM	AHS Dance Concert
Sat., Jan. 19	2:00 PM & 7:00 PM	AHS Dance Concerts
Tu, Feb. 5	7:30 PM	Drama Boosters Meeting in C-144
Wed, Feb. 13	2:30 PM	deadline for ONO Director's applications, including script
<i>Mon., Feb. 18</i>		<i>President's Day, NO SCHOOL</i>
Tu, Mar. 5	7:30 PM	Drama Boosters Meeting in C-144
Wed-Th, Mar. 13-14	2:20-4:00 PM	One Night Only: One Act auditions in B-120
Wed., Mar. 27	11:30 AM	Spring Musical preview for elementary & middle schools
Th.-Sat., Mar 28-30	7:00 PM	Spring Musical performances
Sun., Mar. 31	2:00 PM	Spring Musical matinee
Mon., April 1	2-5 PM	Spring musical take down
Tu, April 2	7:30 PM	Drama Boosters Meeting in C-144
<i>Sat., April 13-Mon., April 22: SPRING BREAK</i>		
Sat., April 27	7:00 PM	One Night Only! Student Directed Performance
Wed.-Thurs., May. 1-2	7:00 PM	AHS Band, Orchestra Concerts
Sat., May 4		AHS Prom
Tues., May 7	6:30 PM	Drama Banquet (cafeteria)
	7:30 PM	Annual ADB general meeting & department awards (auditorium)
Fri. @ 7 & Sat. @ 3 & 7, May 17-18		AHS Dance Concerts
Tu, June 4	7:30 PM	Drama Boosters Meeting in C-144
Mon., June 17		Last day of school (or as late as June 21)

Approximate dates:

Folger Shakespeare Library High School Festival, in March
Drama Boosters Trip to NYC for a Broadway Show

AN IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT MUSICALS: Some of you sing well (or very well). Some do not sing well *yet*. Most leading roles in musicals (and some supporting roles) require solo singing. More than 95% of people improve their singing with instruction and practice. There are many fine voice teachers in the area. Start now! Check our website for some of your classmates' teachers. Ambitious people will work on their voices *now*. Some people will have the leading roles, folks... will it be you? Singing with a choir is also a VERY good idea. Ours is available to you during lunch, if you choose to get involved. Find a choir and join it. Dancing also improves with practice. There's a lot of that in musicals as well.

Websites: The internet has *a lot* on theatre: how and where, who, etc.!!! Use it!!

We're Thespian Troupe # 1739. For information on the International Thespian Society (ITS), theatre training options, acting tips, tech theatre ideas, and Thespian gear, go to <http://www.edta.org/default.asp>

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