



# FAME

THE MUSICAL



CVTHEATRE





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# THE CAST

## Characters:

### The Actors:

Nick Piazza..... Nicolas Sperandeo  
Serena Katz..... Allie Cottom  
Joe (Jose) Vegas..... David McGrogan

### The Dancers:

Jack Zakowski..... Georges Kassouf \*  
Carmen Diaz..... Cora Brown \*  
Iris Kelly..... Alexis Jodon \*  
Mabel Washington..... Mia Fox

### The Musicians:

Schlomo Metzenbaum..... Sean Maddix  
Grace "Lambchops" Lamb..... Alaina Halbleib  
Goodman "Goody" King..... Vincent Marasco

### The Teachers:

Miss Esther Sherman..... Madelyn Sams  
Ms. Greta Bell..... Alexis Viola  
Mr. Myers..... Jared Barr  
Mrs. Scheinkopf..... Ava Spring

## Understudies:

Mia Fox  
(Carmen Diaz)

Peyton Balkovec  
(Serena Katz)

Shannon Susa  
(Mabel Washington)

## The Company:

Peyton Balkovec \*‡  
Zoe Carlo ‡  
Julianna Diskin ‡  
Sarah Elias  
Mara Haley \* ‡  
Natalie Kallet ‡

Tay Kilgore  
Mallory Manning  
Kaycee Nelson  
Leah Rau ‡  
Anna Scalise

Sarah Scalise ‡  
Tori Scheib  
Bethany Stoker  
Shannon Susa  
Jess Ward  
Maura Woodrum ‡

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To Jessica and all cast, crew and orchestra -  
Congratulations on a great performance!



# Scenes & Musical Numbers

Action takes place at New York's High School of Performing Arts  
on West 46th Street, between 1980 and 1984.

## ACT ONE: Freshmen & Sophomore Year

Scene 1 & 2: Various Locations & Inside the New York High School of Performing Arts

Hard Work.....Company

Scenes 3: Hallway

I Want to Make Magic.....Nick Piazza

Scene 4: Acting Class

Can't Keep It Cool.....Joe Vegas & Company

Scene 5: Dance Class

Scene 6: Band Room

Scene 7: Rehearsal Studio

Jack's Rap.....Jack Zakowski

Scene 8: Lunch Room

There She Goes / Fame.....Carmen Diaz & Company

Scene 9: Rehearsal Studio

Let's Play a Love Scene.....Serena Katz

Scene 10: Band Room

Bring on Tomorrow.....Schlomo & Carmen

Scene 11: Rehearsal Studio

Teacher's Argument.....Miss Sherman & Ms. Bell

Scene 12: Hallway

Hard Work Reprise.....Company

## Intermission

During this evening's performance, there will be one fifteen - minute intermission.

*We can all make a pledge,  
That the whole human race  
Will become what we want it to be!*

# OUR SENIORS

*"We have arrived at a moment in our lives,  
when the future passes into our hands.  
We can find out, are we really strong enough,  
to fulfill what the future demands."*



Back Row - Left to Right - Josh Rohe, Nicole Efthimiades, Alexis Jodon, Ally Zervanos, Brooke Mitchell

Front Row - Left to Right - Cora Brown, Georges Kassouf, Mara Haley, Peyton Balkovec

Unpictured: Brendan Nangle & Drew Smida

*Your senior class has had to endure so much change and a year unlike any other.  
I am so proud of the strength and resiliency you have shown. I have no doubt you will be leaders of  
a new generation, taking all of this in stride and using it as building blocks for a better future.*

*Thank you for sharing your passion, for working as hard as you do, and for inspiring those that  
follow in your footsteps. We wish you the absolute best in your future endeavors. - Mrs. Giffin*



# Scenes & Musical Numbers

## ACT TWO: Junior & Senior Year

Scene I: Outside the School

Scene 2: The Junior Festival

I Want to Make Magic Reprise.....Nick & Company

Scene 3: Various Practice Rooms

Think of Meryl Streep.....Serena

Scene 4: Dance Studio

Mabel's Prayer.....Mabel Washington & Company

Scene 5: Hallway

Scene 6: English Class

Dancin' on the Sidewalk.....Jack & Company

These Are My Children.....Miss Sherman

Scene 7: Rehearsal Studio

Scene 8: Dance Studio

Scene 9: Outside the School

In L.A.....Carmen

Scene IO: Hallway

Let's Play a Love Scene Reprise.....Nick & Serena

Scene II: Graduation

Bring on Tomorrow Reprise.....Company

Curtain Call

Bows & Exit Music (FAME).....Company

*Bring on tomorrow, let it shine  
Like the sun coming up on a beautiful day,  
It's yours and mine  
We can make a difference, it's not too late  
Bring on tomorrow  
We can't wait!*



# Break a Leg to the cast and crew of **FAME the Musical**



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**Best of Luck to the Cast & Crew  
of FAME! The Musical**



# WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

Cora Brown (Carmen Diaz) - This is Cora's fourth and final performance in CVTheatre's Spring Musical. Since her first performance as a dancing tree in her 7th grade production of Peter Pan, Cora has had the opportunity to explore multiple different roles and perform in different shows throughout the years, including the Showcase live music acts, Legally Blonde (ensemble), and Sister Act (featured ensemble). You may recognize her from her performance last year as 'Inga' from Young Frankenstein. In her final show, Cora is beyond excited to be portraying Carmen. Cora has been performing since she was very young, and started taking vocal lessons at the age of 14 at Higher Voice Studios. As a senior, she serves as Secretary on the International Thespian Society board, competes in regional competitions for her voice studio, and spends her remaining free time focusing on academics. Cora wishes to go to school as a Microbiology major with a minor in Health Sciences, and focus on a career in Epidemiology or Biomedical Research. She will continue to be involved in her college's musical theater programs, vocal performances and extracurricular activities. Cora wishes to first thank her parents and two sisters, who have dealt with too many days listening to the same song on repeat before a performance and always supporting her. She also would like to thank Dustin, Alec, her vocal director Paul and her director Mrs. Giffin. Without any of them, the show would cease to exist, and she wants to thank them for all of the 'Hard Work' that they do when putting together this show. She finally wishes to thank her voice teacher, Hilerie Klein Rensi. There are too many things to thank Hilerie for- teaching her to actively listen for her mistakes, guiding her in how to go about an audition, and being a shoulder to lean on through both thick and thin. Cora wishes that all of her fellow seniors enjoy their last performance, and that everyone enjoys the show!

Nicolas Sperandeo (Nick Piazza) - Nicolas is a junior at Chartiers Valley High School. This year, Nick is thrilled to be playing the role of the overly enthusiastic actor, Nick Piazza in Fame: The Musical. This is Nick's third high school musical. He was last seen in the fall play, Peter and the Starcatcher as Peter. Some of Nick's past roles include Victor Von Frankenstein/The Hermit in Young Frankenstein, Joey in Sister Act, Theo in Pippin, and Mike Teavee in Willy Wonka. Outside of performing at CVTheatre, Nick also participates in the Chartiers Valley Showband and is the treasurer of the Thespian Society Troupe 2402. Nicolas would first like to say thank you to the costume moms and the entire cast and crew of Fame for putting all their HARD WORK into the show. Lastly Nicolas would like to say a very special thank you to his family, Paul, Dustin, and Mrs Giffin for their constant dedication, love, and support throughout every single

aspect of the show and for always letting him follow his dreams. Nicolas hopes to continue his love for theatre throughout the rest of high school. Nicolas wants to thank everyone for coming. The cast can't wait to make magic for you!

Allie Cottom (Serena Katz) - Allie is a sophomore doing her fourth CVTheatre HS production. During this school year's fall production of Peter and the Starcatcher, she played Molly Aster, and is thrilled to be back onstage. She sends a huge thank you to Mrs. Giffin and all those involved in putting the show together, especially in the midst of a pandemic. And she thanks you for coming, and hopes you enjoy the show!

Georges Kassouf (Jack Zakowski) - Georges Kassouf is a senior at Chartiers Valley High-school, and has been in the theatre program for 4 years now. Georges has enjoyed every moment he has been on stage, and would like to thank everyone who has watched him over the past 4 years. He has been in many different roles over the years, and he is happy to finally have his complete roster at the end of his senior year. He has played Nikos and Padamadon in Legally Blonde, Augustus Gloop in Willy Wonka, TJ in Sister Act, King Charlemagne in Pippin, Igor in Young Frankenstein (which is his favorite of his roles), BLACK STACHE (!!!) in Peter and the Starcatcher, and finally, Tyrone Jack Black Zakowski Jakowski Jack Jackson in Fame. He is grateful for everything the program has done for him over the years, and he couldn't have done it without the audiences who gave him people to entertain! Georges believes that entertainment is one of the best things on this planet, and the fact that he has been able to entertain so many faces over the years makes him incredibly proud. He would like to thank every person that has ever laughed at, cried at, cheered at, and even criticized him, because they shaped him into the performer he is today. From a pacing Gay or European to a New York Slum Dancing his heart away on a Sidewalk, he has enjoyed every moment on that stage. He wants to say thank you to Miss. Howe, a former teacher at OLG school, for giving him his start in theatre all those years ago, and he would like to thank Mrs. Giffin for taking his journey to the next level and giving him so many incredible opportunities. He would also like to thank his parents for everything they have done to support his musical endeavors over the years. TTFN! --

Madelyn Sams (Miss Sherman) - Madelyn Sams is a sophomore and is pleased to be performing as Miss Sherman in this year's performance, Fame. This will be her eighth CV Theatre production. She is also an avid lacrosse player, playing for both Chartiers Valley and Pittsburgh Premier Lacrosse Club. She



**Georges,**

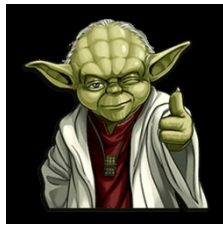
***We are so proud of our...***

***Padamaddon/Nikos, Augustus Gloop, TJ, King  
Charlemagne, Igore, Black Stache, Jack Zakowski....  
but most of all, we are proud of our young man!!***

***We Love you,***

***Mom, Dad, Randieh & Marie-Belle***

***Some words of wisdom from your favorite Character to  
leave highschool with:***



***“Your training is almost complete young apprentice”, your path to  
success has just begun, succeed you must.....but “Don’t be afraid to  
fail, be afraid not to try”.***

***“Do, Or do not, there is no try”...and do, you must!***

***“Train yourself to let go of everything you fear to lose!”***

***And of course: “May the force be with you”!***



***Congratulations,***

***It’s been quite a journey, but you have made it this far, and the journey  
continues on. Congratulations on getting accepted in college in the  
program you are so passionate about!***

***Keep reaching for the stars, you’ve got what it takes to shine among  
them! And never ever forget: “Your talent is God’s gift to you, what you do  
with it is your gift back to God.”***

***We’re proud of you and we love you,***

***Mom, Dad, Randieh & Marie-Belle***





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would like to thank her many mentors she has had over the years, especially Mrs. Giffin. Break to all of the cast, but mostly the seniors.

Sean Maddix (Schlomo) - Sean is a sophomore at Chartiers Valley this year, and this is his fourth show with CV Theatre. He is thrilled to be playing the part of Schlomo Metzenbaum. He would like to thank his parents for supporting him, the CV staff for being so accommodating, the stage crew for all their work (without them there would be no show), and Mrs. Giffin and all of the other adults that sacrifice their time and energy for us, even in a pandemic. Finally, he would like to thank you for watching us perform, and he hopes you enjoy the show!

Mia Fox (Mabel Washington) - Mia is so honored to be casted as Mabel Washington in Fame the Musical this year, and especially grateful to be performing at all in this chaotic year. Mia has taken part in the CV Theater since 6th grade, and it all started with playing Curly the Lost Boy in CVMS's Musical Peter Pan. She then went on to play one of the Evil Stepsisters in Cinderella as a 7th grader, and then Nala in Lion King in 8th grade. In highschool, Mia was part of the featured ensemble in Sister Act and Young Frankenstein last year. Mia, now being a junior, is also a three year member of the Chartiers Valley Drill Team and a two year member of Chartiers Valley Dance Troupe. She is also a part of National Honors Society, and a first year member of Thespian Society! Mia has worked very hard this year balancing dance and musical, but she loves them so much that she's been able to flourish in both! Performing is her favorite thing to do, and she is so excited to perform as Mabel this year alongside some of her closest friends. She thanks all of her cast mates and crew members, and of course the entire production team and Mrs. Giffin for making this performance possible!

David McGrogan (Joe Vegas) - David is a Junior in High School and this is his 3rd year doing theatre, and 2nd year as a Thespian. This year he was given the opportunity to play Joe Vegas, his 3rd named role in CV Theatre. He loves to be social and while he is a bit shy is very happy to meet anyone! He is amiable and tries his best to be a good friend. His hobbies include socializing both on and offline, spending a majority of time talking with friends in some fashion. If he is alone, he is typically listening to music or just on his phone anyway. If you see him feel free to say hi! Thank you for reading and have a good day! :)

Alexis Viola (Ms. Bell) - Alexis is a freshman here at Chartiers Valley and is so excited to be playing the role of Ms. Bell this

year in Fame! Although she is a freshman, she isn't a new face to the CV stage. She performed in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat in 2014 and Les Miserables in 2016 with CVHS. She has also performed in all 3 of her middle school productions. Some of her favorite roles she has been privileged enough to play are, Young Eponine (Les Mis), Mayzie La Bird (Seussical), and Morticia (The Addams Family). She would like to thank her family and friends for their constant support. As well as an extra special thank you to her Uncle Mike, for bringing out the performer in her at such a young age. A huge thank you to her voice teacher, Mrs. Dixie Weidl, for getting her to where she is today and for constantly supporting her for the last 6 years. And lastly, Mrs. Giffin, Dustin, and Paul for making this show possible, giving her this opportunity, and believing in her every step of the way! Thank you for coming and enjoy the show!

Alaina Halbleib (Grace "Lambchops" Lamb) - Alaina is a sophomore and is taking part in her fourth show at the high school. Last year, she was an ensemble member in Pippin and Young Frankenstein and this fall, played Prentiss in Peter and the Starcatcher. Now, Alaina is super excited to be playing Lambchops in Fame! She has had an absolute blast during these shows and wants give a huge thank you to everyone involved- the lovely cast and crew, Mrs. Giffin, Paul, Dustin, the costume moms, and everyone else in between. She also extends a huge thank you to her family for their endless support in all she does. Alaina is so grateful for you coming and she hopes you enjoy the show!

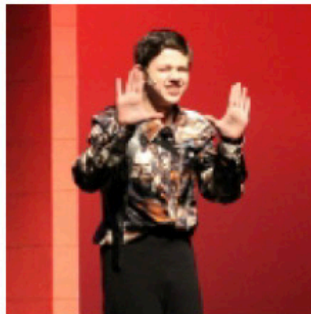
Vincent Marasco (Goodman "Goody" King) - Vincent is a freshman and a member of the Chartiers Valley Showband in which he plays trumpet. Vincent has been participating in Chartiers Valley Musical since 7th grade when he appeared as ensemble in Seussical. In 8th grade, Vincent got a lead role in Addam's Family, but unfortunately due to covid-19 this performance never happened. Vincent is so excited to be cast as Goody in FAME! He looks forward to participating in all of the CV High School musicals.

Ava Spring (Mrs. Scheinkopf) - Ava is a sophomore and a member of the Thespian Society. She performed in Pippin, Young Frankenstein, and Peter & the Starcatcher. Tonight, she will be taking on a completely different role in Fame!

Peyton Balkovec (Ensemble / Serena Understudy) - Peyton is a senior this year at Chartiers Valley High School and has loved performing for as long as she can remember. She started off



🌟 *NICK... YOU ARE OUR SHINING STAR* 🌟



*We are so proud of you. Your “hard work” will help you reach  
your dreams.*

*We love watching you make magic! 💕*

*Love, Mom, Dad, Oma, Anthony, and Alysa*



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her path in CV's high school musicals as a member of the stage crew because she was too shy to audition! However, thanks to the encouragement of her peers, Peyton had the courage to audition her sophomore year and has done so ever since. Thanks to her wonderful theatre family, she has found a creative outlet where she can be herself. Her four-year theatre experience has helped her break out of her shell and discover her self confidence, which she is forever grateful for. Peyton would like to thank the lovely costume moms, Mr. Dustin Giffin, the fabulous Mr. Paul Yeater, and last but certainly not least, Mrs. Giffin, for the relentless support and constant devotion to the program! Peyton has truly cherished her time spent in CV's theatre program, and will hold the experience near and dear to her heart forever.

Zoe Carlo (Ensemble) - Zoe Carlo is a sophomore, and this is her first year participating in the high school musical. In the past, she was in the middle musical, and she would like to give a big shoutout of Charlotte Zelch, the middle school musical director, for being an incredible role model. Zoe is a student at Higher Voice Studio, studying under Devan Balaguer, as well as a member of the Chartiers Valley Drill Team. A final shoutout goes to everyone involved in Fame, she hopes you enjoy the show!

Julianna Diskin (Ensemble) - Julianna is a junior at Chartiers Valley High School. She has been participating in the spring musical since freshman year. She has previously been a part of Sister Act and Young Frankenstein. She would like to thank Mrs. Giffin, Dustin and the entire cast and crew for the countless hours they have dedicated to the show. Although this school year has not been exactly normal, she is extremely proud of the show and what they have accomplished in the last few months. She is planning on attending college for Physical Therapy in the Exercise Science field. She hopes you enjoy the show and stay safe and healthy.

Sarah Elias (Ensemble) - Sarah is currently a junior in chartiers valley High School, with extensive technical skills, good taste and thirst for music. She is also very active in many other extracurricular activities, such as sport and art. Her amazing journey of her music careers started earlier in her life. Music is in her blood and she dedicated herself in finding any free time she can get to refine her musical skills and adventures. Every year she performs together with fellow students in each musical events. She performed live in many platforms, including the Carnegie performing art center and different musical school events. Her performance in Sister Act and young Frankenstein

was quite an achievement and greatly appreciated by her family and friends. Sarah is a great example to all the students. We thank you for the opportunities. God bless you!!!

Mara Haley (Ensemble) - Mara is a senior at Chartiers Valley High School. Fame is going to be her 5th and final show in the CV Theatre program. Mara's past appearances are as Hawking Clam in this year's fall play, Peter and the Starcatcher, as well as ensemble in Young Frankenstein, Pippin, and Sister Act. Mara is a part of the Thespian Society Troupe 2402. She is also a four-year Showband member and the Flute/Piccolo section leader. Mara is going to attend CCAC, majoring in Art to become an Art Teacher. Lastly, Mara would like to thank everyone from the cast for making this an amazing last show, and Mrs. Giffin, Dustin, and Paul for making this show possible in such terrible circumstances.

Natalie Kallet (Ensemble) - Natalie Kallet is a sophomore ensemble member in this year's production of Fame. She has been in Pippin, Young Frankenstein, and Peter and the Starcatcher, and enjoyed every show to its fullest. She would like to thank her mom, dad, and sister for driving her to practices and supporting her throughout the show, and for all of her friends for putting in their best work and making performing as fun as it is.

Tay Kilgore (Ensemble) - Tay is a freshman. She has played a few roles in prior shows such as Into the Woods and Mary Poppins. She likes to draw, read, write, and perform. She has to thank the cast for always being there for her when times got tough. She hopes to excel and go to college on top of being able to perform in other shows soon.

Mallory Manning (Ensemble) - Mallory is a sophomore at Chartiers Valley High School. She started having a passion for theatre at a very young age when she first saw the musical, The Phantom of the Opera. She is very excited to perform in her second CVTheatre Spring Musical. Mallory has been in past productions including Pippin (Ensemble), Peter and the Starcatcher (Gremppkin Understudy/ Ensemble), Young Frankenstein (Ensemble) and now Fame! She would like to thank the cast and crew for all of their hard work and dedication to the show. Mallory would also like to give a HUGE thank you to Mrs. Giffin, Paul, and Dustin. Everyone has worked so hard and she hopes you enjoy the show!



**CONGRATULATIONS, Mía!**

*...On performing in your Third  
High School musical!*

**We Know you'll ...**

**"Light Up The Sky Like a Flame!"**

*We love you always,  
Mom, Dad, Ryan,  
The Palombos, Hramikas, Hyres,  
Foxes & Schmidts*



*Dream  
BIG  
Sparkle  
MORE  
Shine  
BRIGHT*

You are talented, beautiful, and kind. From your start on the CV stage in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade until now, we could not be prouder of you Alexis!

You are our shining star Ms. Bell.

Love, Mom, Dad & Ryan



## WHO'S WHO IN THE CAST

Kaycee Nelson (Ensemble) - This year Kaycee is a junior at Chartiers Valley High School. This is her third show, previously being in the ensemble for Sister Act and Young Frankenstein. She would like to give a special thank you to Ms. Giffin, Dustin, and the cast and crew for their countless hours of hard work and dedication into making the show amazing. She would also like to give a special thank you to her family and friends for being so supportive and loving through hard times this past year. She hopes you enjoy the show!

Leah Rau (Ensemble) - Leah Rau is a sophomore this year at Chartiers Valley High School! This is her second spring musical in high school, yet she has been involved in two fall play CVTheatre productions. Leah loves performing and being a part of the accepting CVTheatre family. She is a part of the Thespian Society and plays in the marching band. Leah hopes you enjoy the show!

Anna Scalise (Ensemble) - Anna Scalise is a freshman at CVHS and has been involved in musical theatre for quite some time. Before she could participate in the cast, she would help her dad take photos for the musicals and help out where she could. In Primary school, she participated in the high school's Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat and Beauty and the Beast. When middle school came around she participated in The Lion King as a hyena, Mrs. Mayor in Seussical, and was cast as Pugsley in The Addams Family musical that never got to be performed due to Covid. She is very excited to participate in the high school musical and become part of the CVTheatre family.

Tori Scheib (Ensemble) - Tori is a freshman at CV this year. She enjoys theater because "Everyone is so kind and supportive. We're like a big family" as she says when someone asks her what it's like. Tori was in the middle school's production of Seussical and was a part of the Addams Family as well. Along with theater, she plays in the Showband and sings in Chorus. Her out of school hobbies include reading, drawing, and just being outside. She would like to thank her family for always being there for her when she needed it and for always supporting and encouraging her to pursue what she loves. She also wants to thank her friends for always being there for hugs and always knowing how to make her laugh. She looks forward to being in many more CV Theater productions in the future.

Bethany Stoker (Ensemble) - Bethany is a junior who has always had a secret love for theatre. Freshman year, Bethany decided to face her fears and audition for her first school musical. Following her friends and her love for music, singing, acting,

and dancing, Bethany hopes to continue her passion for theatre and acting in general.

Shannon Susa (Ensemble / Mabel Understudy) - Shannon is thrilled to take part in another high school spring musical! Though this is her first year as a 'big high-schooler,' she's been on the CVTheatre stage since she was eight years old, and most recently portrayed Captain Scott in Peter and the Starcatcher. She has so much fun working on these shows, and hopes you enjoy it!

Jess Ward (Ensemble) - Jessica Ward is thrilled to join the cast of Fame as ensemble! She started off doing tech for musical in middle school (Cinderella and Lion King), she found her true passion for performing in high school. Her first show was Sister Act, and she was also a part of Young Frankenstein. Her favorite show to perform in was Peter and the Starcatcher, where she had her first role as Ted. She wants to thank her family for supporting her throughout her journey, and Mrs. Giffin for always pushing her to do her best.

Maura Woodrum (Ensemble) - Maura is thrilled to be a part of this year's production of Fame! As a junior in high school, Maura has performed in CV theatre's Sister Act as a part of nun ensemble and Young Frankenstein as townspeople ensemble. She was also previously a part of the Middle School Musical, The Lion King Jr., as a lioness. This year, Maura is featured as a dancing student and is so excited to perform and do what she loves! She is a first year member of Thespian society and Charvalletes, along with a member of the National Honor Society. Maura's favorite part of musical is to spend time with all the amazing people and to perform the dances! She is so thankful for these experiences and can not wait to spend her last years of high school performing and improving as an individual. She wishes luck to all cast and crew, and wants to thank Mrs. Giffin, Paul, and everyone who has made this year's production possible, especially with the given circumstances!





Alexis, we love to watch you perform and sing. Your talent is a true gift. Thank you for always making us proud.

We love you,  
Mam-Maw and Pappy







## THE PRODUCTION TEAM

Producer & Director & Choreographer.....	Mrs. Kim Giffin
Music & Vocal Director.....	Mr. Paul Yeater
Technical Director, Scenic & Lighting Design, Master Carpenter.....	Mr. Dustin Giffin
Lighting Programmer & Master Electrician.....	Mr. James Scalise
Lighting Programmer & Operator.....	Chris Glass
Sound Engineer.....	Mr. Jay Weaver
Sound Assistants.....	Brendan Nangle*
	Rachel Burkholder
Artistic Directors.....	Mrs. Kim Giffin
	Mr. Dustin Giffin
Production Manager.....	Mr. Alec Kinslow
Stage Manager.....	Alex McIlree
Stage Manager Right.....	Nicole Efthimiades*
Stage Manager Left.....	Brooke Mitchell*
Prop Manager.....	Ally Zervanos*
Prop Manager Shadow / Assistant.....	Madison Mincin
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Photography.....	Scalise Digital Arts
Set Construction.....	Mr. Dustin Giffin
	Mr. Alec Kinslow
Art Crew.....	Mrs. Kim Giffin
Deck Crew.....	Nadiya Bednarchuk
Costume Design Team.....	Mrs. Kim Giffin
	Mrs. Leanne McGrogan
	Mrs. Johanna Sperandeo
	Mrs. Sue Stoker
	Mrs. Meghan Cottom
	Ms. Erin Spring

\*Denotes Senior

## THE ORCHESTRA

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Keyboard: Paul Yeater  
Reeds: Michael Pagnotta

Trumpet: Joe Figliulo  
Trombone: Courtney Conner  
Bass: Leo Stankus, Jr

Guitar: Zack Harper  
Percussion: Shane Musgrove  
Drums: Mitch Greco



Peyton,

It's hard to believe this is your last High School Musical.

We have enjoyed watching you perform almost as much as you have enjoyed doing it.

We're really going to miss seeing you up on stage.

We are so proud of everything you do.

Love,  
Mom and Dad



Leah,

We are so proud of you! There isn't a day that goes by that we are not thinking about how amazing you are. We love watching you turn into this beautiful young woman. Never, never, never stop being who you are. Your strength and independence is what many hope to achieve in life. Break a leg!!

We love you SO much...  
How much is so?  
Way, way more than you know!

Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Evan





# Director's Notes

## SPECIAL THANKS TO:

- Dustin Giffin , Paul Yeater, and Alec Kinslow for your dedication to this show and to the students. Without you, your passion, and the countless hours you put in, this production would not be possible. Thank you for dedicating yourselves year after year to the rigorous artistic process of producing a high-quality show on a tight budget and in a small timeframe.
- CVTheatre alumni Dustin, Alec, James, Alex, and so many more over the years - Thank you for still being a part of our program. Your involvement is a testament to why we do what we do and the strength of community that is built through theatre.
- The entire cast and crew for all of your hard work and dedication throughout the process. This year has brought so many challenges and added stress to an already rigorous process, but you have all risen to the occasion. Your efforts and sacrifices do not go unnoticed or unappreciated. I am so immensely proud of all of you.
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- Anyone who is attending tonight or watching the stream in support of the arts, CVTheatre and our incredible students. It is because of your support we are able to offer our students opportunities to perform and express themselves, which is important now more than ever.
- To anyone that reached out a helping hand in the final moments when we needed you most - you might not be named in the program, but your help does not go unnoticed in the last weeks before the show – our greatest time of need. Many thanks to all of you who give that extra bit more of your time for the production.
- Lastly my family – Jameson, Greyson, & Dustin – thank you for embracing the show in every way despite how time consuming this process is. I know it isn't always easy to be at the school all of the time and we aren't a typical family; but you are my inspiration in everything I do and without your help, support, and love none of this would be possible.

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ALLIE COTTOM

*“Keep every moment  
under control,  
always in charge,  
playing a role”*

BREAK A LEG AS  
SERENA!

♥ Mom, Dad & TJ



*Hey Pey!*

*We've enjoyed your plays...*

*Every single time!*

*We are going to miss seeing you perform.*

*Love,  
Mana and Pappy*

## Thanks to:

The Administration and community for continued support and interest  
in CVTheatre and the Musical Theatre Program

All members of the Chartiers Valley Parents for the Performing Arts for your continued support  
of our students from concessions to backstage to everything in between.

The Pittsburgh CLO and the University of Pittsburgh for sponsoring the Gene Kelly Awards.  
Even though this program may look different in the face of current circumstances, their  
continued support of the arts in schools is greatly appreciated.

The entire custodial staff for their understanding of our long hours and the messes we create.

Speedpro Imaging for their help in advertising for our production

All of the 80's children now turned parents for donating their clothes for authentic costumes

All of the people who have donated their 80's clothing to the Good Will  
over the years so we could find the precious gems





Julianna:

Congratulations on your third musical performance! We love watching you on stage! We love you to the moon and back and are beyond proud of you! Reach for the stars baby! Love, Mom, Dad, Olivia & Lydia



**Alaina “Lambchop” Halbleib,**

During your first dance recital many years ago, we saw your beautiful glow on stage! You make each day brighter with your talent, heart, and love!

We are so excited to watch you doing what you love up there! We are so proud of you, have fun this weekend!

Love, Mom, Dad and Alli

# SHOUTOUTS

Sarah Elias - We love you and we are so proud of you! - Mom & Dad

Hey Jess!! Congrats on another great performance!! Can't wait for your senior show! - David

Love the play. You're awesome! Mia & Vinnie

Georges - You continue to amaze us with every performance. - Suzy & Elias

Sing your heart out, Maddie! FACTS ! The Jacksons

Georges - So proud of you - it's hard to believe that this is your last musical - Love, Aunt Eugennie

Congratulations, Sarah! -Uncle Tilahum

Madelyn, We couldn't be more proud of you! Don't know how you juggle it all ! Way to go! Dad, Mom, and Lauren

Nick Sperandeo - Good luck & enjoy it! - The Wards

Georges - You are a star. Can't wait to see what the future holds for you. Love, Mom & Dad

Good luck for another amazing performance, Maddie! Stephen, Kyle, and James

Great job. Break a leg. -Lauren, Gabby, & Joe

We love you Aunt "TT"! Love Evelyn & Violet!

Reach for the stars! Love Mom & Mark.

Sarah - You are amazing! I love you - Aunt Helen

Hey Jared!! Congrats on your first role!! Can't wait for next year!! - David

Good Job baby girl! Love Phil

Georges - We wish we were there to watch you. Love you! - Aunt Ugette & Uncle Maurice

Congrats to the entire Cast!! Job well done!! - The McGrogans

Peyton, you are amazingly talented at everything you do. I am in awe of you. Break a leg! Love your big sis

Good luck this weekend cast and crew, much love! -Alaina

Peyton, Congrats on a great high school musical career! Love Mom and Dad

Alaina, so proud of the talented actor you've become! Love, Granny

Maddie - Break a leg grand girlie! You make me proud every day! I Love You. Pap

David, We always love seeing you on stage and are so proud of you!! Love Mum and Dad

Georges - Thank you for all of the shows you performed! We enjoyed them all. -The El Dahr Family

So proud of you Tori! Love Uncle Shawn, Aunt Kelly & Ryan!

Georges - So proud of you habibi Georges. Love you - Aunt Laurette

Hey Georges!! You did great!! Happy final show!! I'll miss you!! - David

Keep on shining Alaina, we are so proud of you! Love, Nana & Pappy

Georges, we'll miss you next year. It'll be Abi Normal without you for a while!! Good Luck!! The McGrogans

Cheers to you, Peyton! May you always shine, dream big and sing your heart out. Love, your Fairy Godmother

Mrs. Giffin - Thank you for believing in me. -Georges

Georges - You make us all proud. Love you - Aunt Marize & Uncle Georges

To everyone that volunteers their time to make these productions possible, we appreciate you! The Balkovec family

Break a leg! Proud of you! Love Aunt Berta, Brandon & Bradin!

**Sarah, you put a smile on our face !!**



We gave birth to you  
but you made us better  
people!!!  
Love you!!!

**You make our day sparkly and you bless with all love any one can have !!!**

Mom  
&  
Dad



Keep shinning !!!  
Congratulations !!!

**You make us proud and we love you!!!!**



Jess - Have a great time! You're awesome! Love, Mom, Dad, & David

Georges - You are a true star that shines brightly on stage - Aunt Georgette & Uncle Toni

Keep following your dreams! Love Mama & Uncle Jim

Go Sarah! I am your biggest fan! Love, Fluffy

Jess - Best wishes for a great performance in FAME! -Aunt Marlene

Wishing you the best in everything you do! I'm very proud of you! Love Grandma Jean

ZOE WE R SO EXCITED & PROUD OF U! BREAK A LEG! LUV MOM,DAD,SAWYER

David - really enjoyed the show!! Great Job!! Aunt Joan!!

Way to go, Sarah!! Break a leg - We are so proud of you! Troy Orthodontics

Awesome job, David. Keep shining. Love, Uncle Anthony & Aunt Anna

Alaina, I love watching you on stage! Love you, Mom

Georges - May the force be with you always. -George & Zain

Sarah, Congratulations! We love you and we are so proud of you! Cousins Abel, Nati, Leah, John, and Machi.

Jess - Enjoy performing as much as you did in other shows. -John

David, really wish I could be there to watch the show!! Good Luck!! Grandma

Light up the sky like a flame, Peyton! Love Mom and Dad

Mrs. Giffin!! Thank you for all your \*hard work\* and dedication toward a great show!! Can't wait for next year!! The McGrogans!!

Lainie - Weeeeeeeeeee Weeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee Weeee

We have enjoyed your performances, Pey. Hope you have a great one! Love Mana and Pappy

Jess - Hope you enjoy performing in your high school musical. -Aunt Anne

Lain So amazing watching you grow on stage. Very proud! Love Dad

David, Finally we know what your Jose Vegas part is about!! You always keep it a secret!! Love ya Mum & Dad

Tori we are so proud of what you have accomplished!

Thank you, Mrs. Giffin, for all you do for the CV Musical Theater.

Sarah - Our heart is filled with joy. TMA

Best of luck to the cast and crew! The Testas

Sarah - I am so proud of you. Your love for musicals is so palpable. I wish I was there to watch you perform! Love you- Aunt Tsige

Go Maddie! Love Gabby

Another great job Nick!! Can't wait for next year!!! - David

Peyton, Good luck. You're epiiiiiiiiiic! Josh

Sarah - I am so proud of you. I love you. - Grandma

Jess - Looking forward to seeing you on stage in the musical this year. -Tom

Georges - We love you, cousin. Good luck in college! -Chloe & Charelle

Georges - Have fun doing what you love - Maya & Kyle

Good luck Maddie, so proud of you! Love Gram and Pap

Tori, miss you lots, and I believe in you! I know you'll be amazing!- Bee

Reach for the stars, I'm proud of you! Love Gram.

Georges - Break a leg and enjoy the spotlight. -The Adamos

Georges - I am blessed to have a talented brother like you. -Marie-Belle

**We are so  
proud of you  
Shannon!**



**Love,  
Dad, Beth, Trey,  
Mimi & Pap-Pap**

**We love you and are so proud of you!  
Love Ga and Pap**





Hey Sean!! Congrats on another great performance!! Can't wait for your junior show! - David

Alexis, we are so proud of you. Who said hard work doesn't pay off? Follow your dreams and passion. Love, Pappy Larry & Audrey

Have a great show, cast and crew. You are all amazing! The Balkovec family

Georges - We know you will kill it like always. Love, Teta & Jiddo

Georges - Break a leg! So proud of you! - Uncle Kamil & Aunt Norma

Wish we could be there to watch too, Pey. Love Bonzai and Luna

You amaze me on the daily, Maddie Jo! Fingers crossed for a marvelous performance. Love you! Kelli

Happy last show, seniors! Enjoy it!! -Alaina

Jess - All the hard work has paid off! Great job! Love, Sierra & Hershey

Georges - Wishing that all your dreams come true. -Jenny & Melissa

David, Good luck and break a leg!! Love Aunt Joan

Have a great time Peyton. We are so proud of you. Love Mana and Pappy

Thanks to Crew for all your hard work!! Great job!! - The McGrogans

Good luck to the entire cast and crew! The Halbleib's

Congratulations to the cast & crew! -The Kassouf Family

Super proud of you Tori! Love Madison, Jordan & Kiersten!

Jess - I will be in the audience, as ever, rooting for you. Love, Pappy

Congratulations to the cast and crew members - Proud of you all! -Georges

Georges - You are so talented, stay with it! -Randieh

Blessings and love Tori! Best wishes to you on your performance! Love Bonnie

Alaina H - Awesome job! Good luck & knock them out! Love, The Wards

Great job - Keep up the great work! Uncle Anthony & Aunt Anna

Great job - Keep up the good work! Love, Grandma

Jess - So proud of you! Keep doing what you love! Love, Pap

I am so proud of your hard work and dedication. -Aunt Elsa

Georges - You make me proud, cousin. Love you - Marianna

Maddie: Break a leg! We are so proud of you! Uncle Jim and TT

David, Good job!! Well done!! Love Mum, Dad and Grandma

Hey Vinnie!! Congrats on your first role!! Can't wait for next year!! - David

Your Heartsong is a gift that amounts to an hallelujah choir from heaven. You dazzle! We adore you! - The Klos Family

Go get Em Kiddo! Love you Uncle Chico!

CVTheatre ROCKS! The Testa Family

Georges - Never stop reaching for the stars. -Tatiana & Tamara

Aunt Pey, I'm so glad you do musicals because I love watching you in them. Love Teaghan

Tori we are so proud of you and love you! Keep shining! Love Dad & Tammy

Alaina, Shine like a star! I love you, Auntie

Keep shining bright, David. I love you, Grandma

Georges - We always enjoy your performances. - The Atencios

You're a rock star! Love you Tori! Shannon

Georges - We are so beyond proud of you. Love, Teta Carol & Jiddo Elias

We are so proud of you Kaycee!  
Reach for the stars!  
Love Mom, Dad, and Jake

A collage of two polaroid-style photographs on a blue background. The top-left photo shows a man and a young woman, Alexis, smiling together. The top-right photo shows Alexis in a vibrant, multi-layered orange and yellow costume, standing in a large hall. Above the right photo is a logo for 'FAME THE MUSICAL' featuring a silhouette of a person in a dynamic pose.

**Alexis,**

When you were a little girl, I said "this one is different". I knew you were destined to "light up the sky like a flame". I'm so proud of how far you've come by "doin' hard work".

I want you to always push yourself "to make magic", "take chances that are bold", & "to tell stories that no one's told". "Bring on tomorrow, I can't wait" to see what else you accomplish on and off the stage. Congratulations on your 9th grade musical, FAME!

Love always and forever,

**Uncle Mike**

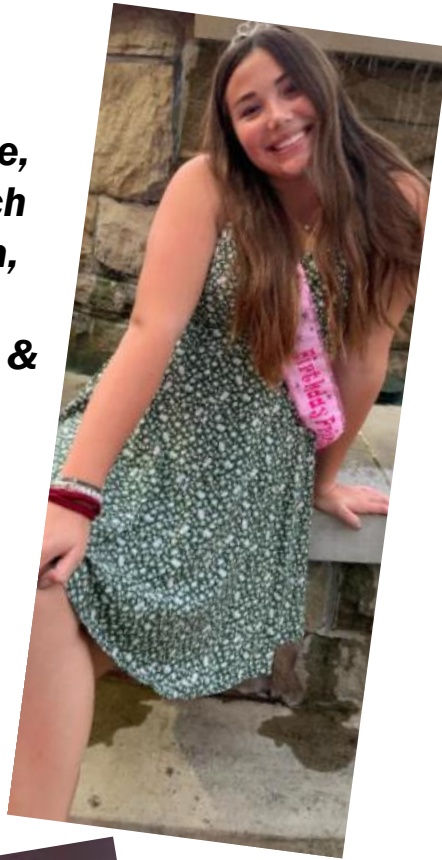
***Maura,***

***You shine like the stars in all that you do and we  
couldn't be more proud!***

***Love, Mom, Dad, Grayce & Luna Dinkles***



***We love, love,  
love to watch  
you perform,  
Maura!  
XO, Grammy &  
Bobby V.***



***Maura,  
They will remember  
your name!  
Love, Roey & Doogie***



***We are proud of  
you, Maura!  
Love you more,  
Grandad, Nona  
& Kori***



***Keep following  
your dreams,  
Maura!  
Love, Grandma  
& Pop Pop***





Break a leg  
Kaycee!  
We love you!  
Gooah and Pap

Allie,

You made it onto that stage with  
lots of **'Hard Work,'** and we are so  
proud of you!

**'Bring on Tomorrow'** because you  
shine brighter day after day.

We love you,

Mimi, Pappy & Grandma





*It's hard to believe you are  
graduating! You have made us so  
proud! College awaits you. We can't  
wait to see where you go with such  
great talent.*

*We love you Peach,  
Mom and Dad*




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**Cora,  
You were born our little drama  
queen & have conquered our  
hearts ever since. We are so  
very proud of how hard you  
work to achieve your dreams.  
We can't wait to see what  
your future holds! Love, Your  
Cool Parents**

*Everything will  
be okay*





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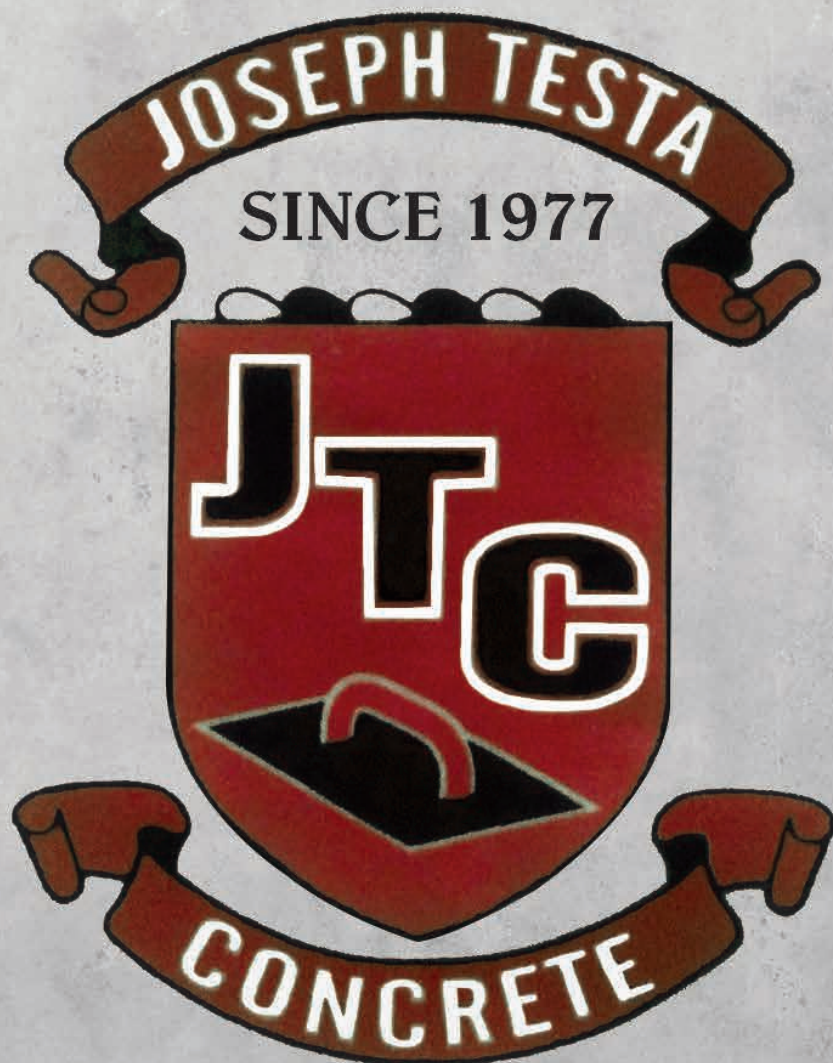
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