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# MEAN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL EDITION

Music by  
JEFF RICHMOND

Lyrics by  
NELL BENJAMIN

Book by  
TINA FEY

with

Alyssa Cooke  
Aiden Adams  
Brian File  
Erik Morehouse

Ellie Quinlisk  
Ella Patras  
Annika Grasso  
Carey Bigley

Lila Trout  
Jordan Blaszczyk  
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Noble Simpson

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# SONGS

## Act 1

<b>Overture</b>	Orchestra
Mean	Janis & Damian
It Roars	Cady, African Animals, Dance Ensemble, Ensemble
Where Do You Belong?	Damian, Janis, Cady, Dance Ensemble, Ensemble
Meet the Plastics	Regina, Gretchen & Karen
Stupid with Love	Cady & Aaron
Apex Predator	Janis, Cady, Dance Ensemble
What's Wrong with Me?	Gretchen
October Third	Aaron & Cady
Sexy	Karen & Dance Ensemble
Someone Gets Hurt	Regina, Aaron, Ensemble
Revenge Party	Janis, Damian, Cady, Dance Ensemble & Ensemble
Fearless	Cady, Gretchen, Karen, Dance Ensemble & Ensemble

## Act 2

<b>Entr'acte</b>	Orchestra
Mean (reprise)	Damian & Janis
Stop!	Damian, Dance Ensemble, Janis & Cady
What's Wrong? (reprise)	Mrs. George & Gretchen
Whose House is This?	Kevin G, Cady & Ensemble
More is Better	Cady & Aaron
Someone Gets Hurt (reprise)	Janis
World Burn	Regina & Ensemble
I'd Rather Be Me	Janis & Ensemble
Fearless (reprise)	Cady
Do this Thing	Ms. Norbury, Kevin G, Cady & the Mathletes
I See Stars	Cady, Dance Ensemble & Ensemble

# CAST

## Cast Members in Order of Appearance

Damian	Aiden Adams
Janis/Transformer	Alyssa Cooke
Mrs. Heron/Marymount Mathlete	Rayne Peters
Cady Heron/North Shore Mathlete	Ellie Quinlisk
Mr. Heron, Glenn Cocco	Eli Brosowsky
Taylor/Ensemble/Karen US	Regan Gnutti
Caitlyn/Ensemble/Janis US	Brenya Gommel
Sonja/Ensemble/Regina US	Harriett Moos
Aaron/Dancer	Jordan Blaszczyk
Kevin G/Dancer	Brian File
Shane O/Marymount Mathlete/Kevin G (3/15)	Erik Morehouse
Mr. Duvall/Ensemble	Noble Simpson
Ms. Norbury/Ensemble/Transformer	Lila Trout
Lit Teacher/Ensemble	Joleigh Yorkus
Dawn/Dancer/Ensemble	Alex Storck
French Teacher/Dancer	Evan Carroll
Coach Carr/Jason/Mathletes Coordinator/Dancer	Carter Granson
Lizzie/Ensemble/Gretchen US	Julia McCarty
Regina George	Ella Patras
Gretchen/Dancer/Choreographer (Stop)	Annika Grasso
Karen	Carey Bigley
Tyler - North Shore Mathlete/Ensemble	Addie Fisher
Martin - North Shore Mathlete/ Ensemble	S Tubinas
Sophie/Ensemble	Caitlin Brace
Mrs. George/Ensemble	Kailyn Angelitis
Grace/Ensemble	Mikayla Bradley
Teary Girl/Ensemble	Amelia Coggs shall
Marymount Mathlete/Ensemble	Ashlyn Bradley

# CAST

## Cast Members in Order of Appearance (continued)

Caroline-Marymount Mathlete/ Ensemble	Zoey Olson
Rachel/Ensemble	Cameron Balasa
Ensemble	Zoey Ferraro
Ensemble	Giana Hauser
Ensemble	Chiara Hendrawan
Ensemble	Cady Lander
Animal/Dancer	Karinna Fechtmann
Dancer/Caitlyn US	Mia Kelly
Animal/Dancer/Dance Captain	Kate Kesilman
Dancer/Ensemble/Cady US	Julia Kingsbury
Animal/Dancer/Ensemble	Molly Mitchell
Animal/Dancer/Ensemble	Tessa Taurino
Dance Ensemble	Jordan Blaszczyk, Evan Carroll, Karinna Fechtmann, Brian File, Carter Granson, Mia Kelly, Kate Kesilman, Julia Kingsbury, Molly Mitchell, Alex Storck, Tessa Taurino
The Plastics	Regina George (Ella Patras), Gretchen (Annika Grasso) and Karen (Carey Bigley)
African Animals	Tessa Taurino, Karinna Fechtmann, Kate Kesilman & Molly Mitchell

## Orchestra

Flute	Luca Frikke-Schmidt
Flute	Ganesh Palla
Tenor and Bass Trombone	Charlotte Hayter
Clarinet	Adhavan Balachandar
Trombone	Colin O'Connor
Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, and Tenor Saxophone	Jessica St. John
Alto Saxophone, Soprano Saxophone	Thomas O'Reilly
Bass	Lucas Bueno
Percussion	Allyson Kling
Keyboard 1	Todd Bunce



# CAST

## Orchestra (continued)

Keyboard 2 .....	Alissa Nelson
Trumpet .....	Benjamin Bayless
Guitar .....	Brandon Horak

## Production/Creative

Director .....	Claudine Piechotta
Music Director .....	Abigail Marchione
Pit Director .....	Kathryn Feliciani
Technical Director .....	Joey Schiwall
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# CREW

## Crew Members

Stage Manager	Melissa Beadling
Tech Liaison	Reese Grasso
Light Board	Moss Gommel
Run Crew/Art Crew	Annika Greb
Run Crew	Lily Ivers
Run Crew	Emma Muench
Spot #2	Lucy Fallon
Spot #1	Teddy Biedermann
Sound Board	Sanat Nayak
Makeup Crew	Ella Patras (head), Carey Bigley, Caitlin Brace, Cameron Balasa, Giana Hauser, Mia Kelly, Lila Trout
Hair Crew	Annika Grasso (head), Karinna Fechtmann, Regan Gnutti, Julia Kingsbury, Harriet Moos, Zoey Olson, Tessa Taurino, Joleigh Yorkus
Fundraising/Marketing Crew	Alex Storck (head), Alyssa Cooke (head), Ashlyn Bradley, Mikayla Bradley, Zoey Ferraro, Addie Fisher, Julia McCarty, Molly Mitchell, Ellie Quinlisk
Set Crew	Brian File (head), Jordan Blaszczyk, Eli Brosowsky, Brenya Gommell, Carter Granson, Chiara Hendrawan, Cady Lander, Erik Morehouse, S. Tubinas
Art Crew	Evan Carroll (head), Aiden Adams, Kailyn Angelitis, Amelia Cogshall, Kate Kesilman, Rayne Peters, Cameron Balasa, Noble Simpson
Assistant Lighting Designer	Avery Merz



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# WHO'S WHO

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Aiden Adams

*as Damian*

Aiden, a sophomore sensation, takes on the role of Damien in Mean Girls. With his comedic genius and infectious energy, Aiden brings the character to life, delivering hilarious one-liners and unforgettable moments. Get ready to laugh and be entertained by Aiden's stellar performance!



Alyssa Cooke

*as Janis/Transformer*

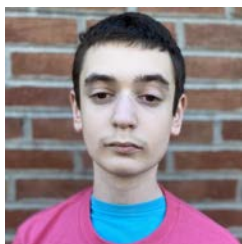
This is Alyssa's second year with the Harlequin Club! She was most recently seen A Christmas Carol, where she played one of her favorite roles, the ghost of Christmas future. Janis has been a dream role of hers since seventh grade and she is honored to be playing this part. She wants to thank Mrs. Piechotta and the creative team for this opportunity. Enjoy the show!!



Ellie  
Quinlisk

*as Cady Heron/North Shore  
Mathlete*

Ellie is so excited to be performing as Cady in Mean Girls! She is a senior and most recently played Lily in A Christmas Carol. She would like to thank her family and friends, as well as Ms. Piechotta and everyone involved in making the show for all of their hard work and encouragement! She is so grateful to be part of this amazing group and hopes you enjoy the show!



Eli Brosowsky

*as Mr. Heron, Glenn Cocco*

Eli has enjoyed working with both Lenape's and CB West's Thespian Clubs. He takes great pleasure in being able to express himself through creative mediums, as well as having the opportunity to make new friends.



Rayne Peters

Rayne Peters is excited to be Mrs. Heron for her second performance in the Harlequin Club! She is a sophomore at West and had a CHORUS role last winter in A Christmas Carol. She has enjoyed theater since a very young age and can't wait for another great show. She would like to give a big thanks to her parents for their support and encouragement.

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**Regan Gnutti** *as Taylor/Ensemble/Karen US*

As her first show at West, Regan is so excited to have been given the opportunities she has in Mean Girls. She has loved working in the production and loved the people she's gotten to meet. She's so excited for people to see and hope that everyone feels the joy while watching that she felt while working on it.



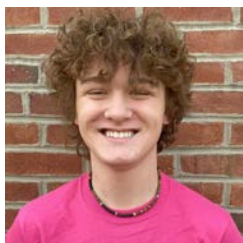
**Brenya Gommel** *as Caitlyn/Ensemble/Janis US*

Brenya feels old and wise as she prepares to perform her final high school musical. Before senioritis took hold, she was known for her roles as announcers in Amelie and The Actor's Nightmare, as well as Mrs. Jefferson in Rent (In other words, she was loud). Her final wish is to thank her family, who was supportive no matter how off-key she was practicing in the shower.



**Harriett Moos** *as Sonja/Ensemble/Regina US*

Harriett is in 10th grade at central bucks west. She is so grateful to have this opportunity to participate in this production of Mean Girls as Sonja, and as the Regina George understudy. She has enjoyed the time she has spent with everyone in the cast! She would like to thank her parents for always supporting her through whatever she needs.



**Jordan Blaszczyk** *as Aaron/Dancer*

Jordan Blaszczyk is very excited for his 4th show with the club. He is a junior but has so much power behind him. His skyrocket to fame was when he was Cosmo Brown in 8th grade. Its only been up from there, playing roles such as Benny in Rent and Chad in All Shook Up. He would like to thank his family and the whole crew who put this show together. #Forcetobereckendwith <3



**Brian File** *as Kevin G/Dancer*

Introducing Kevin G! Brian is a junior and is Co-President of the club. He was last seen as Ebenezer Scrooge. He is ready to bring the rhymes as the lovable Kevin G in Mean Girls! He thanks his friends and family for their support. Get ready to groove to his beats and witness his comedic genius on stage. Don't miss out on his unforgettable performance! #MeanGirls #KevinG

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# WHO'S WHO

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Noble Simpson

*as Mr. Duvall/Ensemble*

Noble is a sophomore at West and is excited for his 3rd performance in Central Bucks. You may have seen Noble three months ago in A Christmas Carol, where he was cast as Bob Cratchit. Noble enjoys studying linguistics, cooking, and drawing in his free time. Noble also would like to thank his friends and family for all their support.



Lila Trout

*as Ms. Norbury/Ensemble/Transformer*

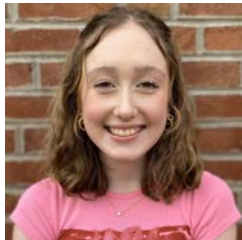
Lila is a junior and has had so much fun with Harlequin for the past two years! Her favorite role from club has (also) been the ghost of Christmas future, though portraying Tina Fey's character (Mrs. Norbury) is a close second :) She would like to thank her amazing friends and family, as well as the cast and production team of Mean Girls for making this happen! Enjoy!



Joleigh Yorkus

*as Lit Teacher/Ensemble*

Joleigh is a senior at West and this is her first show with the Harlequin Club. In the past, she has played Ariel's sister, Belle, and taken classes at BCSPA. Joleigh has had a wonderful time getting to know the cast, learning the dance and songs, and overall is very excited to be in the Highschool production of Mean girls.



Alex Storck

*as Dawn/Dancer/Ensemble*

Alex is ecstatic to be performing in Mean Girls, her 3rd show with the Harlequin Club. She is the treasurer of the club, and her past roles include Maureen Understudy (Rent), and featured dancer (Anything Goes). She would like to thank her parents for their support through her years of performing & would also like to apologize to them for her use of foul language on stage.



Evan Carroll

*as French Teacher/Dancer*

Evan is a senior and Art Head of the Harlequin Club, and has been in every show since her sophomore year, with her proudest, most soul-awakening role being Angel from RENT. This outlet, its people, and the memories will forever persist in her heart. She dedicates her final school performances to her mom, the most loving, supportive soul a child could be blessed with.

# WHO'S WHO



**Erik  
Morehouse**

*as Shane O/Marymount Mathlete/  
Kevin G (3/15)*

Erik Morehouse is thrilled to perform for you in Mean Girls! His most recent role was the Ghost of Christmas Present in A Christmas Carol. He has loved being a part of this production and wonderful cast. Enjoy the show!



**Carter  
Granson**

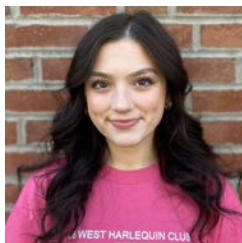
*as Coach Carr/Jason/Mathletes  
Coordinator/Dancer*

Carter Granson is very excited to be a part of Mean Girls in Wests Musical!! He is playing Coach Carr, Jason W, and a few other roles. He has also been a part of A Christmas Carol. This show has brought the cast together in a different way and led to many laughs. Carter is very excited to introduce you to the Mean Girls cast that will be as fetch as can be!



**Julia McCarty** *as Lizzie/Ensemble/Gretchen US*

Julia McCarty is a sophomore here at West and it is her second show with the Harlequin club. She loves the show Mean Girls and can't wait for you to see it! She has so much fun performing with her friends in the ensemble while also studying as Gretchen's understudy! Hope you love our show as much as she does!



**Ella Patras** *as Regina George*

Ella is thrilled to be cast as her long awaited dream role of Regina George in her final Harlequin Club show. She is a senior and the vice president of the club. Favorite CBW past roles include Mimi in Rent and Hope in Anything Goes. Ella wants to thank her friends, family, and directors for always believing in her dreams!



**Annika  
Grasso** *as Gretchen/Dancer/Choreographer  
(Stop)*

Annika is a senior at West and is ecstatic to be Gretchen and the assistant choreographer. Annika has been an avid Mean Girls fan since the musical hit Broadway in 2018! She'd like to thank her cast/crew mates for all they've taught her and family/friends for their support. She hopes you enjoy the show. It's so fetch!

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# WHO'S WHO

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## Addie Fisher

*as Tyler - North Shore Mathlete/  
Ensemble*

Addie Fisher is a sophomore. She is so excited to be in her second Harlequin Club Show. Previous shows she has been in include A Christmas Carol, Matilda, and Annie. She would like to thank her family for always supporting her and driving her to practice every day. She would also like to thank everyone in the cast and crew and the directors that helped put on the show!



## S Tubinas

*as Martin - North Shore Mathlete/  
Ensemble*

S Tubinas is thrilled to be playing Martin J and couldn't be happier that Mean Girls is their final junior year show. Last couple shows they played an errand boy in Christmas Carol and helped as a run crew member in their sophomore year. They would like to thank their friends for helping make this show happen and their family for driving them. This is for you Lucky.



## Caitlin Brace

*as Sophie/Ensemble*

Caitlin Brace Is a junior at West and plays Sophia K. This is her third show at CBW. She been in Anything Goes as a passenger/ old lady in the wheelchair, and Christmas Carol as Tiny Tim. She would like to thank her parents, sister, the rest of my family, and her boyfriend for their overwhelming support. She hopes you enjoy Harlequin's cautionary tale of Mean Girls.



## Kailyn Angelitis

*as Mrs. George/Ensemble*

Kailyn is a junior who's incredibly excited to play Mrs. George in Mean Girls! She most recently performed in A Christmas Carol as Mrs. Cratchit, some of her past roles have been Vi Moore in Footloose and Tin Man in The Wizard of Oz! Kailyn loves performing with the Harlequin club! She would like to thank her friends, family, and amazing directors for all their hard work!



## Mikayla Bradley

*as Grace/Ensemble*

Mikayla is a sophomore and is so excited for her second show with the Harlequin club! It has been a dream of hers to be a part of Mean Girls. She was last seen as a chorus member in A Christmas Carol. Mikayla would like to thank Mrs. P as well as everyone who helped this show come together, and her family for being supportive. She hopes you enjoy the show!



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**Amelia Coggshall**

*as Teary Girl/Ensemble*

Amelia Coggshall is in 10th grade and is excited to be the teary eyed girl in Mean Girls. She would like to thank her family and friends and her two dogs. "I wish that I could bake a cake made out of rainbows and smiles and we'd all eat and be happy."



**Ashlyn  
Bradley**

*as Marymount Mathlete/  
Ensemble*

Ashlyn Bradley is a sophomore, performing in her second show with the Harlequin club! She most recently appeared in A Christmas Carol. One of her favorite past roles was Urleen in Footloose. Ashlyn cannot wait to see Mean Girls come to life on stage! She thanks Mrs. P for putting on a fantastic show, her family, as well as her friends in the club for their endless support!



**Zoey  
Olson**

*as Caroline-Marymount Mathlete/  
Ensemble*

Zoey Olson is excited for her second production in the Harlequin Club! She has done many shows. One of Zoey's favorite past roles was the Ghost of Marley in Christmas Carol. She would like to thank her friends, family, and directors for their consistent support and love.



**Cameron Balasa**

*as Rachel/Ensemble*

Cameron Balasa is a sophomore at West! Cameron has always had a strong passion for singing and acting. She is so excited to be cast as Rachel Hamilton for this year's production of Mean Girls! Cameron thanks the whole cast for being such amazing friends to her and an even bigger thanks to the directors, who have been so patient and helpful putting this show together.



**Zoey Ferraro**

*as Ensemble*

Zoey Ferraro is a sophomore at CB West and is super excited to be in Mean Girls! She first fell in love with musical theatre at LCA. Her past shows include Footloose and Maltida Jr at Lenape middle school. Zoey wants to thank her family for always supporting her! She also hopes that you enjoy the show and think that it's Fetch!



# WHO'S WHO



Giana Hauser

*as Ensemble*

Giana Hauser is ecstatic to be in Mean Girls. It's her first show at West and she's nervous but excited to be part of the production. Her past shows include Newsies and Sound of Music at Tohickon. She would like to thank her friends, family, and everyone involved in this amazing show. And a special thanks to her mom who pushed her to join the musical this year.



Chiara Hendrawan

*as Ensemble*

Chiara is a 10th grader who is a featured ensemble member in Mean Girls! She has a passion for doing many activities and extracurriculars outside of school pertaining to music, film, and art. She loves collaborating with friends and this is her first experience in a musical production! Her favorite musical is La La Land.



Cady Lander

*as Ensemble*

Cady, the talented member of the ensemble, adds her energy and flair to the stage. With her dynamic presence and incredible dance skills, Cady brings a vibrant energy to every scene. Get ready to be dazzled by Cady's performance as she helps bring the world of Mean Girls to life!



Karinna Fechtmann

*as Animal/Dancer*

Karinna is incredibly excited to be a part of Mean Girls as a dancer! She was most recently in A Christmas Carol as a chorus member, soloist, and dancer. She would like to thank all of the directors, parents, and other cast members for creating such a great show! And most of all, her family for supporting her along the way. Enjoy the show!



Mia Kelly

*as Dancer/Caitlyn US*

Mia Kelly is a sophomore at CB West and is so excited to be in Mean Girls this year. Mia has done many other shows including CB West's own version of A Christmas Carol. Some of Mia's favorite shows consist of Chicago, when she played the role of Liz, and Newsies, when she played the role of Race. Mia wants to thank everyone, but mostly Mrs. P for putting in so much work.

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# WHO'S WHO

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Carey Bigley

*as Karen*

Carey is ecstatic to be performing in her 4th show with the Harlequin Club. She has been seen in many musicals, but this is one of her favorite roles. She would like to thank her dance teacher Stephen Casey and her vocal coach Anne Odland. Also, big thanks to her family, friends, directors, cast and anyone else who helped to bring this show to life! She hopes you enjoy it!



Kate  
Kesilman

*as Animal/Dancer/Dance  
Captain*

Kate is a senior at West and has captivated audiences in countless shows over her performing arts years. From Matron Mama Morton to SAVING A Christmas Carol this past winter, Kate is stoked to be in another show with Brian File. Her mad dancing skills and crazy improv animal fights will bring out her full potential. And she promises to leave it all on stage every night.



Julia Kingsbury *as Dancer/Ensemble/Cady US*

Julia Kingsbury is a sophomore who started performing at LCA at age 3 and never looked back! She has most recently been a lead dancer and Chorus member in A Christmas Carol, Martha the Weatherwoman in Escape to Margaritaville, and Muriel in Newsies. She is also in Treble Choir and has been dancing for ten years. She would like to thank everyone who made this show possible!



Molly Mitchell *as Animal/Dancer/Ensemble*

Molly is so excited to be participating in her second West production! She would like to thank her family and friends for their support, and the whole cast for making this show happen! She hopes you enjoy the show :)



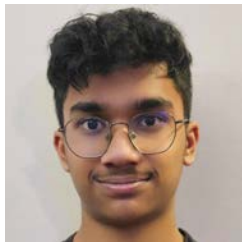
Tessa Taurino *as Animal/Dancer/Ensemble*

Tessa Taurino has been featured in performances throughout the area, including CB West's *A Christmas Carol* and *Anything Goes*. She was the Wicked Witch of the West in Doyle's *The Wizard of Oz*, Morticia Addams in Montgomery Theatre's *Addams Family* production, and Jetsum in *The Little Mermaid* at The Town and Country Players. She's grateful for this supportive cast!

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## Ganesh Palla

*Flute*

Introducing Ganesh Palla (Sophomore, CB West), a high school musician showcasing his talent through flute performances in the theater production of "Mean Girls." With a dedication to his craft, Ganesh brings a unique musical dimension to the stage adaptation, enriching the audience's experience of the iconic story.



## Luca Frikke-Schmidt

*Flute*

Luca Frikke-Schmidt is a Flute player who is super excited to play in his first Harlequin club production. He's been playing flute since he was 11, and has since been part of a few youth ensembles, including BCMEA, YOBC, and PMEA. He would like to thank his family, friends, and private teacher for his progression in flute playing.



## Colin O'Connor

*Trombone*

Colin is quite excited to play for the Harlequin club, and looks forward to support an incredible cast of student performers during Mean Girls. Working towards a performance like this requires everyone to work together, something that Colin loves to be a part of. He knows this show will be amazing and loves working together so such amazing people.



## Charlotte Hayter

*Tenor and Bass Trombone*

Charlotte is a junior and an enthusiastic participant in West's many band ensembles. This is her first show as a member of the pit (with hope for many more opportunities in the future) and she has had the most incredible time. She would like to thank her parents for their flexibility with the busy schedule so that she could take advantage of this exciting opportunity.



## Adhavan Balachandar

*Clarinet*

Musician with a passion for collaboration, Adhavan Balachandar (Sophomore, CB West) is an avid clarinet player in the wind ensemble. This year, he's thrilled to join the 'Mean Girls' pit orchestra, ready to put on a show with the Harlequin Club. When not making music, you can find him listening to his favorite music and geeking out about music theory.

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Benjamin Bayless

*Trumpet*

Ben Bayless is a junior, and excited to be in pit orchestra this year. He has been playing trumpet for 7 years and is a proud member of the Cb west Jazz 1 & 2 ensembles and was the trumpet section leader this past season with the Marching bucks. He wishes the cast and crew good luck and can't wait for the show!



Jessica St.  
John

*Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, and Tenor  
Saxophone*

Jessie St. John is very excited to be playing clarinet, bass clarinet, and tenor saxophone in this year's production of Mean Girls, which is her first experience with pit orchestra. She is a junior here at West and has been playing clarinet for 7 years. She is also involved in wind ensemble, jazz ensemble, marching band, and the Tri-M music honors society.



Thomas  
O'Reilly

*Alto Saxophone, Soprano  
Saxophone*

This is Thomas's first time playing in a pit orchestra, and he is excited to be a part of the upcoming production of Mean Girls.



Allyson Kling

*Percussion*

Ally is a junior at CB West and this is her 2nd show with the Harlequin club's pit and stage crew. In the past, Ally has performed as the pit percussionist in The Christmas Carol, and was also in the show's art crew.



Lucas Bueno

*Bass*

Lucas is a junior here at West and is beyond excited to be a part of the pit orchestra. He has played bass for almost eight years and has participated in the jazz ensemble, marching band, and wind ensemble. He is extremely proud of what we have put together and hopes you enjoy this performance!

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## Brandon Horak

*Guitar*

Brandon is a Senior at West and excited to wrap up 3 years of Pit Orchestra with Mean Girls. Starting with Amelie, to Rent, and orchestrating Christmas Carol, this is definitely an amazing way to end a high school Career.

## Kathryn Feliciani

*as Pit Director*

Ms. Kathryn Feliciani currently teaches band in the Central Bucks School District at Barclay, Groveland, and Kutz elementary schools. She has over twenty years of experience teaching music to elementary, middle, and high school students. She has conducted various musicals and has performed extensively on horn and piano in the community, as well as in Maryland and Virginia. Kathryn grew up in Delaware County, earned her Bachelor of Music degree at James Madison University, and earned her Master of Music degree at West Chester University. She was privileged to conduct the award-winning Central Bucks West pit ensemble in 2022 for Amelie. Outside of her many musical roles, she loves living life to the fullest with her two children, family, and friends. She wishes the cast and crew of Mean Girls all the best!

## Claudine Piechotta

*as Director*

Claudine Piechotta, joined the Harlequin Club this past Fall. She earned her BA in Acting/Directing from DeSales University and completed graduate study at The London Academy of Performing Arts. She has been performing, directing and writing for over 25 years. She has directed and taught young performers in Central Bucks for years and is happy to have found a permanent home at CB West. She is so proud of this amazing Mean Girls cast and crew, whose hard work and dedication in a tight rehearsal schedule, shines through in this authentic retelling of this cult classic. Claudine would like to thank her husband Albert for his valuable time and relentless determination, and her kids for their help and support. She commends the Mean Girls creative team, musicians and dedicated parents, friends and colleagues who have supported this production. "If I had a tiara, I would break it into pieces and share it with all of you. I see stars â-?i,? so many stars tonight!"

## Kate Work

*as Choreographer*

Kate Work is a dance instructor and choreographer from the Greater Philadelphia area. She is excited to make her Musical Theater choreographic debut with CB West's Harlequin Club. In addition to guiding students at Central Bucks, she teaches at Babylon School of Dance in Chalfont PA, and performs with Ignite Dance Company and Studio 108 in Newark Delaware. Kate danced with Delaware Valley Dance Academy for over ten years. Upon graduation from The University of Delaware in 2023, Kate received Honors in Dance and the Senior Choreography Award. She brings a wealth of knowledge in ballet, jazz, modern, and musical theater styles. As a member of the National Dance Education Organization (NDEO), Kate aligns herself with a commitment to excellence and continued education in the field. After obtaining her Masters of Fine Arts, Kate plans to continue her career as an instructor and choreographer

## Suzanne Safran

*as Producer*

Suzanne has been with the club for the past 7 years. She has taken great pride and joy in creating opportunities that have enabled students to shine. She initiated the school's involvement in the Intl Thespian Society resulting in students graduating with honors, traveling to an annual State conference, and there earning scholarships, performing a student written original work and last year performing a full main stage musical! She initiated participation in the Philadelphia Independence Awards where the West team has been recognized for excellence including winning Best Musical in 2022 and three West students have won the honor to represent the Philadelphia region at the National Musical Theater Awards. She initiated the Regina Dudo Harlequin Club Scholarship in memory of her Business Manager predecessor. And has truly enjoyed all the behind-the-scenes work and collaboration of putting on a show. She wishes the new team well and will always be #westproud!

## Brandyn Bissinger-Taurino

*as Business Manager*

Brandyn Bissinger is a three-time Emmy award-winning television producer turned Global Communications Executive with over 2 decades of experience. Brandyn is currently the Head of Global Communications for Noom, a digital healthcare leader. She's thrilled to join the Harlequin Club team as Business Manager/Producer and to watch her daughter, Tessa, perform.



## Joey Schiwall

*as Technical Director*

Joey has been involved with theater and tech in CBSD since 2015. After graduating from CB South in 2018 he was hired by the district and has been running lights and sound throughout the majority of the district, including big events like the CB Save the Music concert. He would like to thank the rest of the production team for the opportunity to spend more time at West with the talented cast and crew.

## Stu Kesilman

*as Scenic Design*

Stu Kesilman has greatly enjoyed working with the cast, crew, parents, and production team to help create the sets for Mean Girls, and thanks everyone who helped paint – especially painting partner Dave Taurino, Head-of-Art Crew Evan Carroll, and daughter Kate Kesilman! He also appreciates Claudine and Albert Piechotta envisioning the main direction for the sets that sent us on our way. Stu has coordinated set painting for 32 Central Bucks school shows at CB South, Unami, Tohickon, and now West, in addition to a dozen shows outside of CB. He loves the collaborative efforts that make things come together and is proud of what we accomplished for this show. Break a leg, Harlequin Club!

## Abigail Marchione

*as Music Director*

Abby Marchione is the Director of Choral Activities at Central Bucks West High School in Doylestown, PA. She holds a bachelor's degree in Music Education from Elizabethtown College, where she studied voice with Dr. Anne Gross. Currently, she is pursuing a Master of Music Education with a Peacebuilding Focus from Elizabethtown. Ms. Marchione began her career teaching middle and high school choir, general music, and music directing for theatrical productions in the Northern Lebanon School District. She is a CB East graduate and returned to Central Bucks in 2020, where she taught elementary general music, strings, and middle school band before coming to West. She sings with Vox Philia, a chamber choir that performs in the greater Reading area.

## Albert Piechotta

*as Set Design/Build*

Mean Girls is Albert's second Harlequin Club production and one of his favorites. He would like to thank the producers and especially Mrs. Piechotta for the opportunity. The show presented another chance to turn utter chaos into order and make things move that shouldn't. It's been a transformative experience. He would like to thank everyone who put a wheel on something to make it move, or used wheels to move things, as well as the inventor of the wheel, because without them there wouldn't be any Mean Girls. Additionally, he would like to thank the Lumiere brothers who invented the first movie projector in 1895 they called the Cinématographe. He hopes that 129 years later Ciné's prodigy the Christie 18k HD Roadster projector can help turn Mean Girls into a movie. Oh wait... Shout outs to the cast, crew, parents, production staff and custodians that made working on Mean Girls so much fun.

## Suzanne Ardite

*as Costume Designer*

Suzanne Ardite is honored to have been able to work with the phenomenal Cast and Crew of "Mean Girls". Suzanne comes to Central Bucks West Harlequin Club from Town & Country Players Theater where she has served as Costume Supervisor for the last 2 years. Equally comfortable on stage and behind the scenes, Suzanne recently produced and costumed "Seussical", "A Christmas Carol" and "Young Frankenstein" at Town & Country. She was last seen performing as Chris in "Calendar Girls" at the Kelsey Theater and Aunt Eller in "Oklahoma!" at T&C. Thanks to Suzanne and Claudine for their support and guidance during this run. Much love to the Cast for "understanding the assignment" and lending a huge assist with their costumes. And, finally, a big shout out to Frank, Kaitlyn and Francis for allowing me to do what I love.

## Music Theatre International

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## Tina Fey

*as Book by*

Tina Fey is a writer, actor, and producer known for her award-winning series *30 Rock* and for nine seasons on *Saturday Night Live* (*Weekend Update*, *Sarah Palin*, *Mom Jeans*.) Films: *Sisters*, *Whiskey Tango Foxtrot*, *Date Night*, *Mean Girls* (her first screenplay). In 2010 she became the youngest recipient of the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor. Her book *Bossypants* has sold 2.5 million copies. She co-created *Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt* (Netflix) and was an Executive Producer on *Great News* (NBC). She is thrilled to make her Broadway debut as a writer and not as a dancer in *Cats* as previously stress-dreamt. She lives in NYC with her husband Jeff Richmond and their two fancy daughters. She dedicates her work here to her mom Jeanne, for loving and feeding the many teenage loudmouths that went on to be characters in this show.

## Jeff Richmond

as Music by

Jeff Richmond is an award-winning composer, songwriter and producer for television, theatre and film. He served as composer and an Executive Producer on NBC's *30 Rock*, winning three Primetime Emmy Awards alongside his wife Tina Fey. He was a musical director at The Second City in Chicago and at *Saturday Night Live*, where he spent five seasons composing original songs for stars like Jack Black, Queen Latifah, and Catherine Zeta-Jones. Jeff's New York theatre credits include his musical *Melancholy Baby*, the inaugural production of the Ars Nova Theater, and the score for *Fully Committed on Broadway* starring Jesse Tyler Ferguson. He is currently executive producing, directing and scoring episodes of *Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt* in New York City, where he lives with his wife and their two daughters.

## Nell Benjamin

as Lyrics by

Nell co-wrote the score to *Legally Blonde, the Musical* with composer Laurence O'Keefe, which received Tony Award nominations, Drama Desk nominations, and the Olivier and Helpmann Awards for Best Musical. Nell wrote the lyrics to *Mean Girls*, which received multiple Tony Award nominations, including for Best Original Score and Best Musical. Nell's play, *The Explorers Club*, won the Outer Critics Circle Award for Outstanding Off-Broadway Play, the Edgerton Foundation New American Plays Award, and an Alfred P. Sloan Foundation grant. Nell has written book and/or lyrics for *Pirates! (or Gilbert and Sullivan plunder'd)*, *Sarah, Plain and Tall*, *Cam Jansen* (Drama Desk-nominated), *I Want My Hat Back*, *How I Became A Pirate*, *The Mice*, *Life of the Party* and *Because of Winn Dixie*.

Upcoming musicals are: *Huzzah!*, *Life of the Party*, *Dave*. Benjamin is the recipient of the Kleban Foundation Award and a Jonathan Larson Grant.



Jessica Briggs Photography

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# CREW WHO'S WHO

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## Melissa Beadling

*Stage Manager*

Melissa Beadling is excited to be stage managing for her fourth show at West with the Harlequin Club. She's previously been backstage (RENT) and behind the sound booth (Anything Goes, Christmas Carol). She wants to thank Leo, Eryn, and Reese for being her #1 crew heroes and she hopes you enjoy the show!



## Reese Grasso

*Tech Liaison*

Reese is a senior at West. This will be their final production after 3 years of Harlequin Club. Reese works on costumes, sets, and run crew during productions. They would like to thank their parents, cats, lizard, and art teacher for all of their support this year. They will miss Harlequin dearly and wish the club luck next year!



## Moss Gommel

*Light Board*

Moss is a sophomore at CB West, and she is thrilled to be a part of her 2nd Harlequin Club production! Look out for her ad in this playbill for her small business, Moss' Crochet. She sells totally fetch handmade items. Most importantly, she would like to thank her friends and family for always being so supportive.



## Annika Greb

*Run Crew/Art Crew*

Annika Greb is beyond excited to be a part of Mean Girls, which is one of her all-time favorite shows. She has had such an incredible time painting for both of the performances this year and is thankful to be a part of the amazing run crew! She would like to thank her friends and family and everyone who is supporting the show!



## Lily Ivers

*Run Crew*

Lily is excited to be a part of the Mean Girls crew! She is currently a 10th grader, and this will be her second show here at west. She would like to thank her family and friends for their support, and hopes you enjoy the show!

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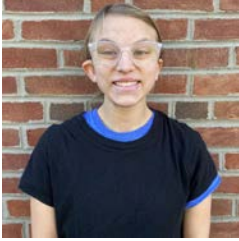
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## Emma Muench

*Run Crew*

Emma Muench is a run crew member who started doing musicals in December during West's performance of a Christmas Carol, she would like to thank her family and friends for their support and especially her dear mom for always driving her to rehearsals. Yippee!



## Lucy Fallon

*Spot #2*

Lucy is a senior and she is sad it's her last year in the Harlequin club. She has been in stage crew since seventh grade. She would like to thank her mom for all her support and the directors and Tech Managers for all they have taught her. Lucy hopes to continue her involvement in theatre in college.



## Teddy Biedermann

*Spot #1*

Theodore Biedermann is excited to be a part of Mean Girls for his last show at West! He would like to thank the cast, crew, and parents for a great time at West and he hopes you enjoy the show!



## Sanat Nayak

*Sound Board*

Sanat Nayak, Sophomore, Light/Sound Tech, worked on Newsies as Light Tech. First time participating in a West Musical production, and first time doing a High-School production. Eager to learn about tech behind the workings of musicals, and gain experience for future applications. Thankful for family, friends, and the school for support and providing this chance to learn.

## Avery Merz

*Assistant Lighting Designer*

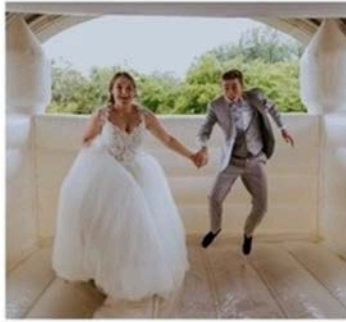
Avery is a junior at CB South student happy to be donating his time to support the Harlequin Club production of Mean Girls. The limit does not exist.



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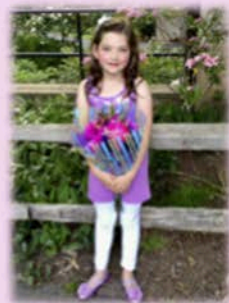
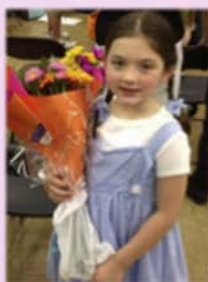


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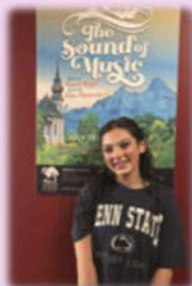
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Grandma and Pap Pap



"If I cannot fly, Let me sing."  
~Stephen Sondheim





keep shining  
carey!



we love you!

*Mom, Dad, Mima, Liam, and Maverick*



# AIDEN, YOU BETTAAA!

Shine bright, shine far...be a  
star!



You'll always have our support!  
We love you!!!  
Love Asia, Axel and Joe



## Break a leg, Aiden!



**In your theater era and  
you shine bright like a  
diamond!**



Keep being the amazing being you are!  
We are so proud of you, Bud!  
Love Mommy and Amani

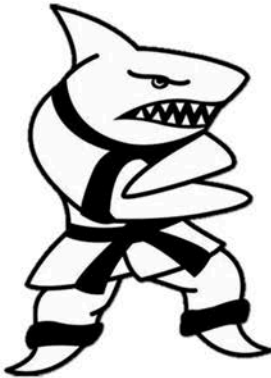


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**A shout out to the Carpool Squad!**  
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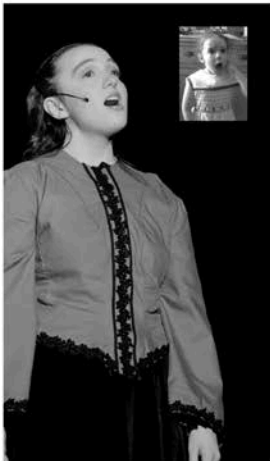
Ellie, We are immensely proud of you!

*Love Mom and David*



It  
Roars!

“Did you ever get a feeling  
That a whole new world is waiting  
Bringing happiness and friends  
To the brave girl who explores  
It’s a scary kind of feeling,  
But it’s so exhilarating  
How it roars!”



To Mrs. Piechotta & Ms Marchione,

Mrs. Safran, choreographers, costume designers, musicians, set builders, and all the parents who work so hard to make theater happen!

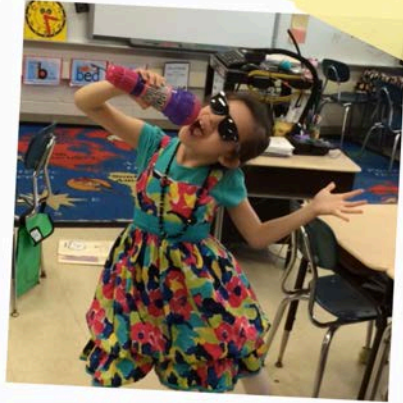
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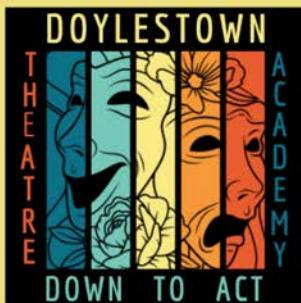
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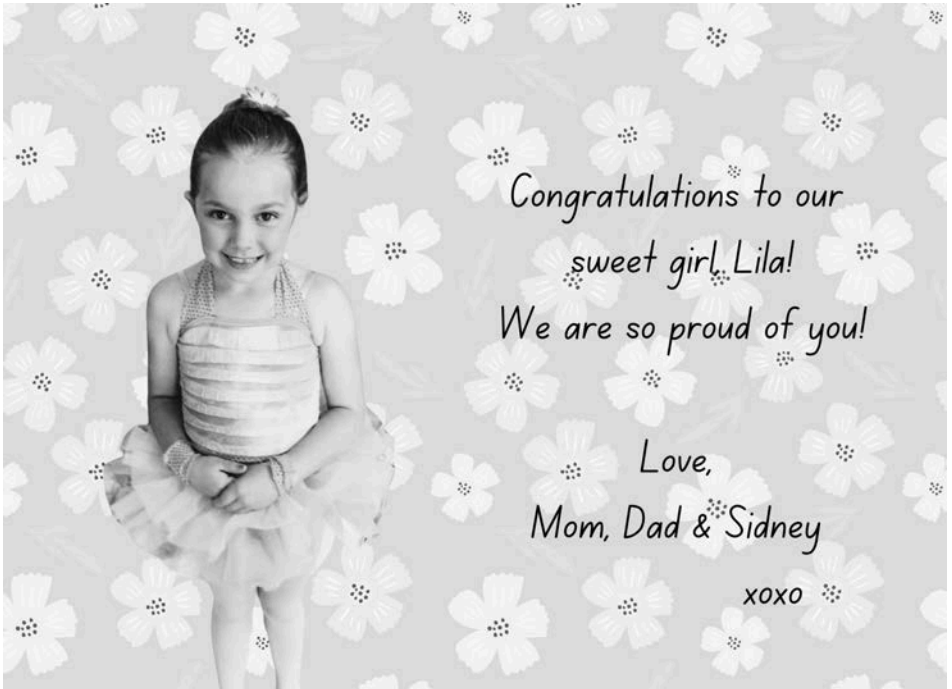
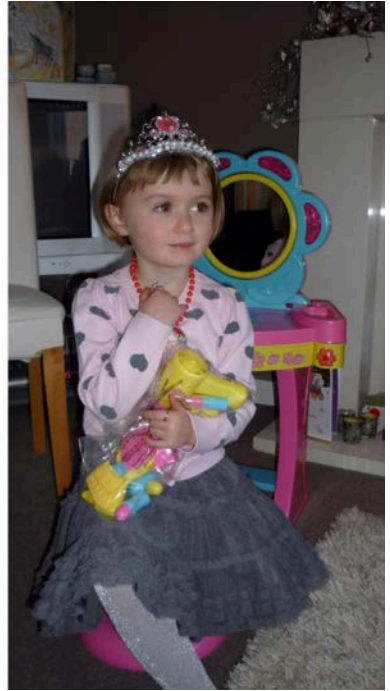
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another fabulous  
show....break a leg!  
We love you so much,  
Mum, Dad, Ethan and



Lucy xxxx



Congratulations to the  
talented Cast, Crew and  
Creative team of Mean Girls!!



*Congratulations to our  
sweet girl, Lila!  
We are so proud of you!*

*Love,  
Mom, Dad & Sidney*

*xoxo*





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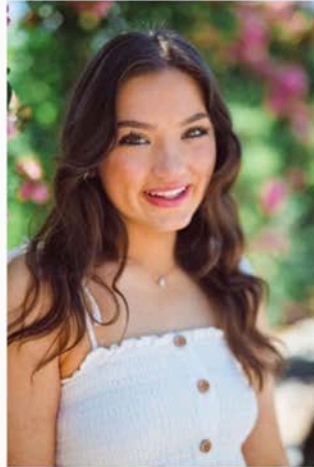
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uncles, and cousins.**

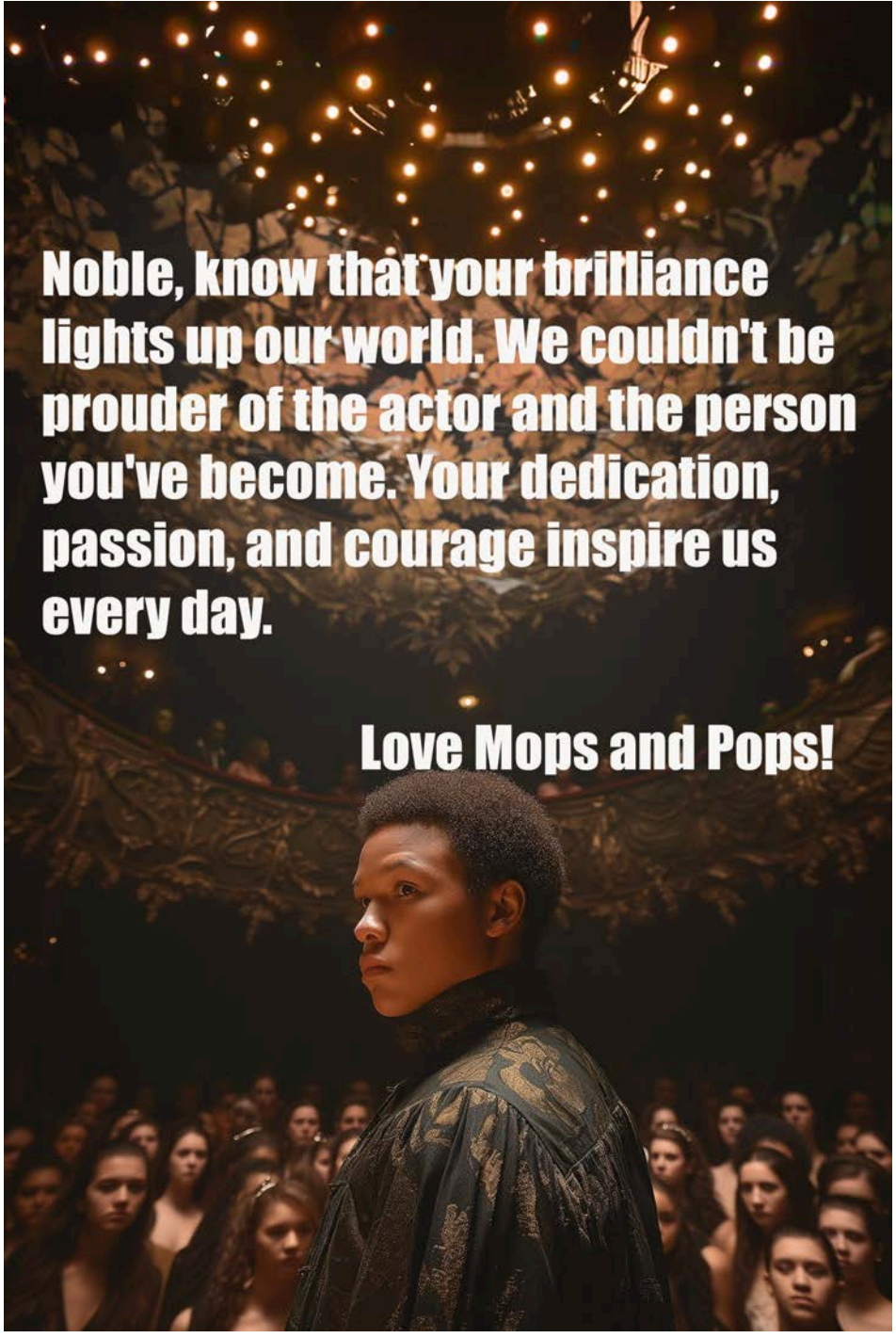


# THANK YOU

to the *Mean Girls* cast and crew for all your hard work and preparation leading up to this performance, and for sharing your passion for theater with our community! You are all amazing!!

A rectangular image with a thick black border. Inside the border is a piece of white, crumpled paper. Handwritten in black ink on the paper is the text: "Everyone you meet is fighting a battle you know nothing about. Be kind. Always."

Everyone you meet is  
fighting a battle you  
know nothing about.  
Be kind. Always.

A young man with short dark hair, wearing a dark jacket with a gold pattern, is shown in profile, looking back over his shoulder. He is standing in front of a large crowd of people, mostly young women, who are looking towards him. The scene is set at night, with warm, glowing string lights hanging from above, creating a festive atmosphere. The background is dark, with some foliage visible.

**Noble, know that your brilliance  
lights up our world. We couldn't be  
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# ELLA PATRAS

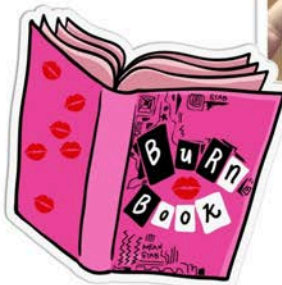


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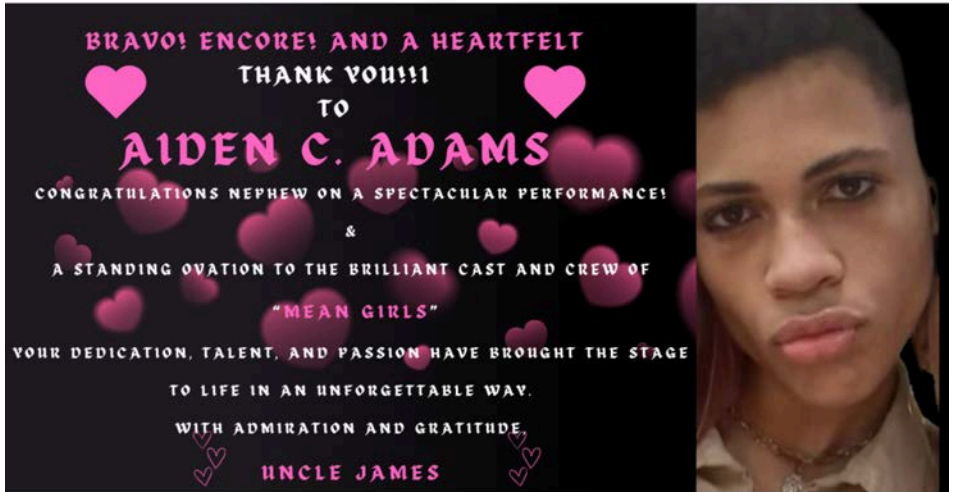
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# END NOTES

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I think HS theatre directors would concede that most high school theatre clubs are typically more female than male, and that most musicals and plays have more male characters. This is obviously not the ideal equation for a girl in the performing arts in 2024.

Mean Girls was already slated for the Harlequin Club's 2023/24 season when I stepped across the threshold in October. When I saw the deep and talented pool of girls here, and the resounding enthusiasm for a female forward musical, this choice made perfect sense to me!

Mean Girls the musical premiered on Broadway in 2018, with a book by Tina Fey, lyrics by Nell Benjamin, and music by Jeff Richmond. It is based on Fey's 2004 film of the same name that many of us saw twenty years ago this year! (and it's still relevant) The musical tells the story of Cady Heron, a teenage girl who transfers to an American public high school after growing up in Kenya. She is befriended by "non joiners" Janis and Damian who persuade her to infiltrate the "Plastics," a clique of popular but mean girls- Gretchen, Karen and the iconic Regina George, a self-proclaimed "massive deal." A web of conspiracy, secrecy, manipulation, and hilarity ensues as Cady discovers what it really means to become a "mean girl" and what she could lose in the process.

As I began to work on the show, I couldn't help but notice the personal correlations. Like Cady, I not only spent my childhood in Africa, but I was born there too. While Cady is clearly a displaced American teen, I was similarly the "foreign" kid in a new school. After her first classroom introduction ends in rejection, I could completely relate to Cady's burning desire to fit in. Despite the tongue in cheek jokes, quirky humor and super catchy songs, these high school hallways are real, unforgiving, and sometimes crass, but so is high school (hence the PG-13 rating.) But woven throughout this cheeky script are poignant moments that explore the universal themes of friendship, honesty, acceptance, and individuality.

In scene study we have explored the personas that these teens create to shield themselves from rejection and insecurity. We recognize that bullying is still alive and well in high school, both in person and especially on social media, and that often the most hurtful things are said by the people closest to you.

Ultimately girls just want to feel empowered like in Janis' song "I'd rather be me." They want to be acknowledged and accepted, not just by boys but more often by other girls. I find it interesting that the main male teen characters in this show, aren't adversaries but are advocates for sincerity, and actually help Cady rediscover how singular, smart, kind, and resilient she really is at her core. The show is deceptively challenging to direct. Dialogue, songs, scenes and costume changes happen sometimes simultaneously and one moment segues to the next more like a film than a stage production (which makes sense given its predecessor.) With another short rehearsal schedule this spring, I couldn't be prouder of our cast, crew, adult volunteers, and our incredible creative team for working so collaboratively and tirelessly to bring this show to life. You are all so fetch!

**SPECIAL THANKS!** I want to offer a special thank you to Suzanne Safran as she steps away from the Harlequin Club after this year. She hadn't intended to stay on for 2023/2024 school year, but she came back to captain the ship in this transition, and make sure that the new director would be supported and settled in their role before she made her exit. I don't think everyone knows how much Suzanne does behind the scenes and the overwhelming time commitment and personal sacrifice this has been, purely out of love for this club and a deep desire to leave it in a good place. I would like to thank her for supporting me in this transition and helping me acclimate. I wish her the very best. I hope she will continue to come back and see what we are up to. I would like to also welcome Brandyn Taurino, our new producer for next year. She has been seamlessly transitioning into this new role with Suzanne's help. Please welcome Brandyn to the team and offer your thanks to Suzanne for being such a great caretaker of this organization. She will be missed!

~ Claudine Quigley-Piechotta

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## SENIORS



Back (L to R): Joleigh Yorkus, Kate Kesilman, Ellie Quinlisk, Evan Carroll  
Front (L to R): Brenya Gommell, Annika Grasso, Ella Patras

How can I not be sad imagining this club without you next year?

You braved the storm of transition, embraced ambiguity, and rose to meet the challenge. Together you have helped take the very best of this club into a new era and lay a strong foundation for the future.

I have incredible respect and admiration for the genuine people and artists that you all are. As an eclectic group of talented dancers, singers, actors, artists, and technicians, you have given hundreds of hours to this program over the past three years. I hope the positive experiences will burn brightly in your memories.

As I reminisce about our time spent together over this past year and the many conversations through A Christmas Carol and Mean Girls, I can conjure a scrapbook full of memories that amongst many include scraping paint off the floor long after rehearsal, navigating broken feet and crutches, working with butt padding (that's a first), engulfing the stage w/dry ice, flooding the paint sink (twice), creating the first BC mic crew/Indy 500, eating cookies and Kalteen bars on stage, avoiding falling lampposts, cramming 5-minutes of HS Musical choreography into rehearsal-just because, losing solo cups all over the stage, and knocking over the candy cane jar at least once a rehearsal.

You have made me laugh and made me cry. I have enjoyed watching you grow and challenge yourselves. I have seen you rise to the occasion again and again. When I think of everything you have shared with your fellow club members and contributed to our shows here at West, words like resilience, dedication, commitment, creativity, passion, and kindness come to mind. You will take all these valuable qualities with you as you journey on from here and they will serve you well in life wherever it leads you. I hope you will think fondly of this special place; this home away from home where you found your theatre family and a place to shine...a place to be yourself!

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As we fulfill our journey of bringing Mean Girls to life, we are filled with immense pride and excitement as your presidents. It's the unwavering dedication and passion of our club members that have truly made this show something extraordinary.

To the talented cast, your commitment to portraying these iconic characters with authenticity and flair is truly commendable. At each rehearsal, you've breathed life into the script, infusing it with the energy and charisma that elevate our performances to unforgettable heights.

To the dedicated crew, your tireless efforts behind the scenes have not gone unnoticed. From crafting sets to perfecting lighting and sound, your attention to detail ensures a seamless and immersive experience for our audience.

A heartfelt acknowledgment is owed to our creative team – Mrs. P, Ms. Marchione, Kate, Joe, Suzanne, and Stu. Your artistic vision, unwavering guidance, and tireless efforts have been instrumental in bringing the magic of "Mean Girls" to life. Your collaborative spirit has propelled our production to soaring heights.

As we step onto the stage, it's crucial to remember that each of you holds a vital role in the success of this show. Let the bond forged during rehearsals illuminate our performance, fostering an atmosphere of unity and collective achievement.

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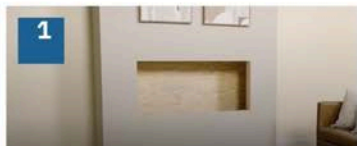
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