
AFMS BACKSTAGE

Dear Theatre Families,

Thanks for your support of the AFMS Theatre program. We are looking forward to a great year, with exciting productions and fun Drama Club activities. We will publish this newsletter at the beginning of each month to keep everyone updated and highlight the amazing accomplishments of our students.

Wishing everyone a great year! ~AFMS Theatre Booster Board

Fall Play Updates

Please support your child with memorization. October 11th is when we are asking all cast members to be "off book" - fully memorized. Here are some [tips and techniques for memorization](#) that can help your child get memorized by Oct 11.

Rehearsals

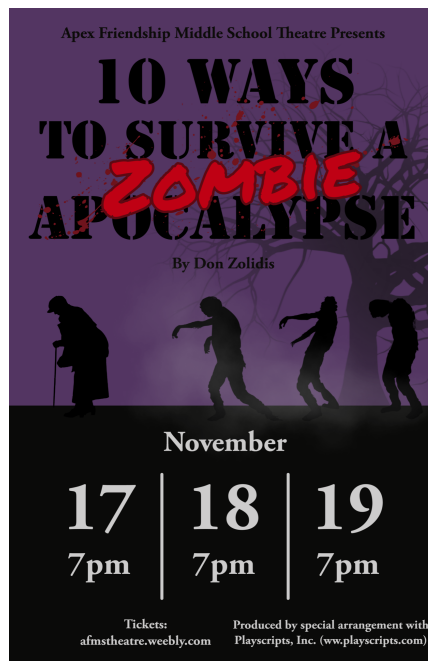
The cast and crew are working hard in preparation for the shows. Please see the [rehearsal schedule](#) and remember there is no rehearsal on Tuesday, Oct 18th.

Costumes

The costume crew is hard at work, but they need measurements. If you have not already, please fill out this form immediately! [Fall Play Costume Measurements](#)

Show Tickets

Show tickets are available now! Just \$5 for kids and \$8 for adults. [Get your tickets here](#) and spread the word!



UPCOMING EVENTS

October 21, 3:00-4:30
Drama Club Meeting

November 17-19, 7PM
10 Ways to Survive a
Zombie Apocalypse

November 21, 3:00-5:00
Strike

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Student Spotlight- Noel DeCinti, Stage Manager for the fall play

Interview by - Violet Noon, Publicity Officer for the Thespian Troupe and Christy in the Fall Play

Violet: Why did you want to try theater?

Noel: My Mom used to be involved with theater and that sparked an interest in me.

Violet: Was there a show that you liked that made you want to do theater?

Noel: Hamilton inspired me to do theater.

Violet: Why did you continue?

Noel: It was fun, I enjoy the people I work with, and it was a good experience.

Violet: Is there anything specific you liked in a show that made you say yes I want to continue?

Noel: Just the people in general, it feels like a family.

Violet: What is your favorite show you were in or helped with?

Noel: A *Christmas Carol* was my favorite show that I've worked on, and the people were fun to work with.

Violet: What is your favorite play or musical? What is your favorite character in that show and why?

Noel: Hamilton. Eliza is my favorite character because she has a lot of great songs, and the actress was very good in the role.

Violet: Have you ever auditioned for a show? Did you get the part you wanted? Do you think you could have done a better job as another part of a show?

Noel: Yes, I auditioned for *Charlotte's Web*, but I didn't get in. I also auditioned for *Shrek, the Musical* and got cast as an ensemble member. I feel like Tech Crew is the best fit for me.

Violet: Do you play sports outside of school? What sport have you wanted to do? Do you ever struggle with balancing school, theater, or sport?

Noel: Yes, I play softball and I hope to get on the school team. If I tried a different sport, I might try volleyball. It can be stressful to balance the homework and the commitments. And sometimes your practices conflict with rehearsal.

Violet: What is your dream? How are you going to achieve your goal?



Noel (left) and Violet (right)



Noel (left) and Violet (right)

Noel: To make a flawless show. I know that is a hard goal, but I want a good experience. I'm going to try my best and have a lot of friendships with everyone in the cast. I will help the cast & crew work on the things they need to work on.

Violet: Do you have a favorite moment from the fall play so far?

Noel: There was a certain scene with the survivors, and we were in rehearsal with Xander, Griffin, Olivia, and Ella. The addition of a comic moment that they discovered was very funny.

Violet: What is your favorite part about working with Mrs. Winter?

Noel: She is very good at directing people and a good leader. She is easy to talk to as well.

Violet: Should people come to the fall play? Why?

Noel: It is the best. It is very funny. And it is good to support everyone at our school, and our amazing actors, like you, Violet.

Drama Club

The first meeting of this year's drama club took place on Friday, September 23rd. They did a connection activity so that everyone could get to know each other as well as a Drama Game. Mrs. Winter shared information about the Thespian Troupe and how students can be inducted into the honor society. They took nominations and had voting for the 2022-2023 Thespian Troupe Officers. Congrats officers!

UPCOMING MEETINGS

10/21, 12/16, 1/20, 2/17, 3/17, 4/14, 5/12

OFFICERS

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Xander Parker

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Megan Alveaca

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Publicity

Violet Noon

We couldn't do it without your help!

Volunteer Needs

There are still open volunteer roles for the upcoming show! We'd love your help in making this the best experience ever for our kiddos. Please note that the following volunteer positions require WCPSS Volunteer Clearance approval:

Tech Thursdays Parent support/Supervision
Dress Rehearsal Parent support/Supervision
Backstage Parent support/Supervision

If you sign up for a role with this requirement, and are not already an approved volunteer, please see Ms. McDaniel in the front office for assistance filling out the paperwork.

Please contact [Mrs. Winter](#), or our Volunteer Coordinator Chair, [Kelly Horton](#), if you have questions about your role.

Snacks

Thank you everyone for all the generous snack donations! We can never have too many snacks for rehearsals if you'd still like to contribute. We are requesting 24 packs of bottled water, variety family size boxes of chips, and variety family boxes of cookies/snack bars for after school rehearsals/tech. You are welcome to drop off items at the front office. Please be sure to let them know they are for Mrs. Winter.

Fundraising Updates/Playbill Ads

Fundraising is already underway and we have unique fundraising events planned for the year. First up are Playbill ads. This is a fun way to give a special shout-out to your favorite cast or crew member. [Reserve your ad today!](#) We also offer Sponsor Ads in the playbill. They are a great way for businesses to reach families in the Apex/Holly Spring areas. If you know a business that would like to place an ad, please forward them [this form](#). Due by Oct 12th. Thank you!

VOLUNTEER



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