



CREATING MAGIC, TOGETHER

# Musicals at Heath

## Parent Info

## Common Questions

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Congratulations to you and your student! You are setting out on a difficult but rewarding journey. The skills, performances, and relationships created will last a lifetime.

### Mandatory Parent Meeting

Wed., January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7pm, HHS Choir Room

### Direction

Mr. Benjamin Marteney directs and produces the Heath spring musical. He is the vocal music director for Heath City Schools. Ben has degrees in music education from Otterbein University and the Ohio State University.

When an orchestra is included, it is directed and conducted by Mr. Philip McIntosh, Heath's instrumental music director.

We have been fortunate to work with Denison University to provide choreography for our productions. College students gain experience by writing and teaching dance for our shows.

### Rehearsals

We rehearse every day of the week from 3-6pm in the high school choir room and auditorium. There is a set goal for each rehearsal. Often, the goal is met before 6pm and students are released early. Please develop a plan for your student to contact you when rehearsal is finished.

### Attendance

Your child's presence at rehearsals is crucial. If a student is absent, time in the next rehearsal must be spent on teaching them what they missed. This slows our progress and affects the entire cast.

### Props and Costumes

We will send home information on the props required. If you have something that fits the description, and are willing to lend it, we would be very appreciative.

Most of the cast will be asked to provide their own costumes. More information on style and type will be provided at a later date.

### Set Building

We build our sets on Saturday mornings from 8am-12pm. All are welcome. A familiarity with basic hand tools is helpful, but not required. Wear old clothes and, if you have one, bring a drill.

### Volunteers

The musical is only possible with lots of help from parents.

We need rehearsal snacks, ticket sales, ushers, set builders, concessions, program designers, fundraisers, and many more! Families are expected to contribute at least **3 hours of volunteer time**. Follow the QR code to sign up, or find the form at [heathchoirs.weebly.com](http://heathchoirs.weebly.com). Volunteer opportunities



### Communication

We will be using TeamApp for all communication. Download the app to stay up to date.

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