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## From the Superintendent

The Avon Lake City School District, Avon Lake High School, and the Avon Lake Drama Club welcome you to the Daniel B. Ross, Ph.D. Performing Arts Center and the Performin' Shoremen's adaptation of Roald Dahl's *Matilda*.

Avon Lake student performances have a long tradition of high quality, challenging, and thoughtful productions. The faces on stage and behind the scenes change, but the Performin' Shoremen of 2021-2022 are dedicated to honoring the traditions of the past while setting new standards for the future with their performance. We welcome everyone to what will be an inspiring evening packed with high energy dancing, catchy songs in a joyous "girl power" romp.

Thank you to all the students, staff, parents, guardians, and community members who work so hard preparing for these performances. Their dedication has made this production possible. Preparation for *Matilda* has been intense from casting calls through these performances, but this only tells part of the story. Our drama program remains outstanding because of the year-round support that is shown by the Avon Lake community and the ALHS Drama Boosters. This opportunity for our cast and crew comes from their dedication, hard work and the support of an outstanding staff. Together we set the stage for now and for future Performin' Shoremen.

With tradition comes high expectations, and this performance is true to form. *Matilda* brings a story to life about a girl who dreams of a better life. This stage adaptation of Roald Dahl's classic is timeless and as poignant today as ever. Courage, imagination, and cleverness can always win the day! Sit back, watch, and listen to an outstanding cast and enjoy the efforts of an outstanding crew.

Thank you for being in attendance and we hope to see you again at future performances.

Bob Scott  
Superintendent  
Avon Lake City School District

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## **PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME**

Welcome to Avon Lake High School Drama Club's rendition of "Roald Dahl's Matilda The Musical". The story is packed with energy and displays the power of one child's imagination. It is no secret that it is an international success.

Avon Lake High School and the Avon Lake City Schools strive to be champions of arts education. The work we do is made possible by the support of many organizations, boosters, community members, central office personnel and the board of education. The talented staff take their experience and passion sharing them daily with the students.

The students and staff have worked hard and been so very patient through the challenges to get back to this point. Therefore, it is outstanding that live performances are back!

Live performance brings people together in a joyful way. We are proud to be back with an in-person audience so that the cast and crew's talents can be viewed up close.

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Principal

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## *About the Director*

Patricia Frank's love of drama grew out of years of cheer-leading and dance, including performing four years with the Slippery Rock University Dance Theater Company. Following college, Patricia continued to choreograph for high school and community theaters. After marrying David, she found her way onto the stage of the Old Firehouse Theater in Avon Lake, where she acted in favorites, such as *Blithe Spirit* and *The Foreigner*. In 1994, the Franks volunteered to serve as Drama Directors at Bay Presbyterian Church, where they collaborated on musical productions, including *Resurrection*, *Two from Galilee* and *Journey to the Cross*. David and Patricia continue to (occasionally) act in and direct community and regional theatre productions, most recently *Newsies* with TrueNorth Cultural Arts. In 2008, Ms. Frank took over the reigns of Drama Director at Avon Lake High School, where she has directed over 25 plays, musicals and acts for the annual Drama Club Dinner Theater Fund Raiser. Since 2016, Patricia has also served as the manager of the Dr. Daniel B. Ross Performing Arts Center. Patricia and David enjoy volunteering their theatrical staging skills as the set designers and visual artists for the Marching Shoremen Band. Being mother to her beautiful and talented children, Jordan, Melanie (daughter-in-law) & Michaella, continues to be Patricia's favorite role. Ms. Frank would like to extend her heartfelt gratitude to David, the incredible Drama Boosters, the production team, and the amazing cast and crews!





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## PRODUCTION STAFF



**LISA MIRAGLIOTTA** (Van Scyoc) is a graduate of The Cleveland Institute of Music with a Master of Music in Vocal Performance. She holds a Bachelor of Music in Music Education from Bowling Green State University. Lisa currently is Director of the Baldwin Wallace Women's Chorus and a

Music Education Supervisor on the faculty at Baldwin Wallace University. She was an adjunct professor and Field Experience Coordinator at Oberlin Conservatory of Music from 2015-2017. She retired from teaching music in the Lakewood City Schools and was the Director of Music at Christ United Methodist Church in Cleveland for 24 years. Lisa was Director of Bella Musica, the highest-level treble choir of Oberlin Choristers 2017-2021. She was the Oberlin Choristers Cantate Musica Director from 2010-2017 and Touring Choir accompanist in 2008-2010. Lisa taught Music for Elementary Education Majors at Baldwin Wallace University from 1996-2002 and also enjoyed singing professionally with the Robert Page/Cleveland Singers from 1990-2003. Lisa is a member of the American Choral Directors Association, Ohio Music Educators Association, and the Cleveland Kodaly and Orff Chapters. She enjoys teaching private voice lessons, church music, accompanying, and being the Music Director for the High School musicals.



**JOSHUA BRUNGER** is the Director of Bands at Avon Lake High School. A graduate of Midview High School in 1996 earned his Bachelor's in Music Education from Kent State University and Master's Degree from Walden University. He began his career as Music

Director of James Ford Rhodes High School in the Cleveland Municipal School District, then 5th grade and High School Director of Bands at Firelands Local Schools, taught back at his Alma Mater in the fall 2010, and now at Avon Lake High School. In 2018, he was inducted into the American School Band Directors Association and became a Conn-Selmer VIP. He has performed with: Patriots Symphonic Band, Oberlin Civic Winds, LCCC Orchestra, LCCC Civic Band, LCCC Jazz Band, The Swing City Big Band, and the Solid Brass of Lorain County..



**NICHOLAS SIMUL** is overly enthusiastic to present Matilda at Avon Lake High School. Simul serves as the Strings Coach, Synthesizer Programmer, and Accordionist for this production, and currently works as the long-term orchestra substitute at the High School and Learwood Middle School. Prior to arriv-

ing at ALHS, he was active freelancing around Northeast Ohio and at Baldwin Wallace University in pit orchestras as a cellist. Nicholas would first like to thank God for blessing him with the gift of music, his parents and family for listening to him sing and practice all these years, both Patty and Josh for letting me join the music team, and everyone at Avon Lake for welcoming me with open arms!



**JUDY FESKO** is a long time music educator, accompanist, and singer in the Cleveland area. She serves as music director at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lakewood and primary accompanist for the Lakewood City Schools choirs.

Judy has taught elementary general music in Lakewood, Avon Lake, and Vermilion public schools, and continues to teach voice students through the Lakewood City Schools. She graduated from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music with degrees in piano performance and music education. Judy and her husband, Steve, live in Lakewood and are the proud parents of 3 adult boys.



**KAYLEA KUDLATY** is so excited to FINALLY be bringing Matilda to life with the Avon Lake Cast. Kaylea has worked as guest choreographer at ALHS for On The Town, Elf and Matilda as well as around Northeast Ohio at theatres such as Counterpoint Studios, Clauge Playhouse and

Chagrin Valley Little Theatre. She runs the Berea Midpark Middle School Show Choir and drama club. Recent performance credits include: Jo March (Little Women), Janet Van De Graf (Drowsy Chaperone), Mary Roberts (Sister Act), Inga (Young Frankenstein), Fiona (Shrek), Peter Pan (Peter Pan), Essie (You Cant Take It With You), Sandrine/Ginette (Almost Maine). Kaylea would once again like to thank Patty for bringing her along and her Fiancé Henry for being her number one through these crazy adventures.

# MATILDA

## *Director's Notes...*

Is it really happening? 21 months after theaters across the country closed their doors due to the onset of the coronavirus pandemic WE ARE BACK! The Dr. Daniel B. Ross Performing Arts Center at Avon Lake High School is thrilled to be presenting Roald Dahl's Matilda the Musical. We are eager for you to join us for this exhilarating tale of empowerment, as told from the perspective of the most powerless group of all, children.

*"Inspired by the twisted genius of Roald Dahl, the Tony Award-winning Roald Dahl's Matilda the Musical is the captivating masterpiece from the Royal Shakespeare Company that revels in the anarchy of childhood, the power of imagination and the inspiring story of a girl who dreams of a better life. With book by Dennis Kelly and original songs by Tim Minchin, Matilda has won 47 international awards and continues to thrill sold-out audiences of all ages around the world.*

*Matilda is a little girl with astonishing wit, intelligence and psychokinetic powers. She's unloved by her cruel parents but impresses her schoolteacher, the highly loveable Miss Honey. Over the course of her first term at school, Matilda and Miss Honey have a profound effect on each other's lives, as Miss Honey begins not only to recognize but also appreciate Matilda's extraordinary personality. Matilda's school life isn't completely smooth sailing, however – the school's mean headmistress, Miss Trunchbull, hates children and just loves thinking up new punishments for those who don't abide by her rules. But Matilda has courage and cleverness in equal amounts, and could be the school pupils' saving grace!"*

- Synopsis from Music Theatre International

On behalf of the entire cast and crew, we hope that this story of an extraordinary girl who dares to take a stand and change her own destiny will inspire you. It has been a pleasure to collaborate with Lisa Miragliotta, Josh Brunger, Dave Frank, Kaylea Kudlaty, Chad Enders, George Puskas, Douglas Puskas Jared Waugaman, Emilio Jarufe, Scott Herrick, the ALHS Drama Boosters, the Tech Crew, Stage Crew, Production Assistants, and of course, the creative and energetic cast members on this production! Thank you for joining us this evening...and remember... "Even if you're little, you can do a lot!"

Avon Lake High School Drama Club  
Presents

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Roald Dahl's  
**MATILDA**  
The Musical

Book  
DENNIS KELLY

Music & Lyrics  
TIM MINCHIN

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Director ..... Patricia Frank  
Musical Director ..... Lisa Miragliotta  
Orchestra Conductor ..... Joshua Brunger  
Orchestra Assistant ..... Nicholas Simul  
Accompanist ..... Judy Fesko  
Guest Choreographer ..... Kaylea Kudlaty  
Set Design & Construction ..... David Frank  
Construction Assistants ..... Chad Enders & George Puskas

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# MATILDA

## CAST

Matilda .....	Anna Carone u/s Kayla Haskins
Miss Agatha Trunchbull .....	A.J. Wansack
Miss Honey .....	Katie Yarham
Mr. Wormwood .....	Nate Jorgensen
Mrs. Wormwood .....	Katie Soltis
Michael Wormwood / Big Kid .....	Ben Dorman
Doctor / Escapologist / Big Kid / Loud Dancer .....	Kameron Riggs ^
Ms. Phelps .....	Anna Marie Durbin
Acrobat / Big Kid / Loud Dancer .....	Brooklan Benesh *^
Children's Entertainer / Big Kid / Henchman .....	Christian Pudelski \$
Rudolpho / A Dad .....	Gannon Wacker u/s Bowen Dansizen
Sergei / Big Kid / Loud Dancer / A Dad .....	Brent Foley ^\$

## "LITTLE KIDS"

Bruce .....	Bowen Dansizen (Thurs. & Sat.)	Nigel .....	Jeremy Sapola ^
	Joey Birk \$ (Fri. & Sun.)	Erica .....	Kayla Haskins
Lavender .....	Sarah Cracas (Thurs. & Sat.)	Alice .....	Katie Tillery
	Julia Grissinger (Fri. & Sun.)	Tommy .....	Matt Sherban
Amanda .....	Syd Ryan (Thurs. & Sat.)	Hortensia .....	Elena Carone ^
	Mayson Boolish (Fri. & Sun.)		

## "BIG KIDS"

Grace Hallett	Max Keaton	Annelise Klenz
Cadence Laufer	Evelyn Richards	Britta Sevcik
Red Striffler	Hope Tamoney *	
Nurse / Character from Matilda's Imagination / Swing .....	Lauren Schaefer	
Mechanic / Character from Matilda's Imagination / Swing .....	Sara Chowdhury	
Cook / Character from Matilda's Imagination / Swing .....	Caileen Gibbons	
Character from Matilda's Imagination / Swing .....	Sophie Barrett	
Character from Matilda's Imagination / Swing .....	Libby Hawkinson	
Character from Matilda's Imagination / Swing .....	Julia Worsencroft	
Dancer / A Dad .....	Aaron Kimmel ^	



# MATILDA

## ORCHESTRA

Violin 1 .....	Allison Matovic Ryan Jung	Reed 1 .....	Amy Deng Elise Chapin Nathan Johnson
Violin 2.....	Alyssa Molina Katie Hall Elizabeth Lang	Reed 2 .....	Sona Flask James Shaffer
Viola.....	Averie Billington Camryn Tenbrink	Keyboard 2.....	Madeline Waggoner
Cello.....	Rachel Sapola Mr. Nicholas Simul	Trombone .....	Camille Rasch Rebecca Wichman
Bass.....	Sidney Mclean Alyssa Qualiotto	Percussion .....	Bevin Baker Parker Foley Matt Graves
Accordion .....	Mr. Nicholas Simul		

## TECH CREW

Syd Ryan .....	Head Tech Crew Manager
Andrew Brown .....	Tech Crew Asst. Manager

Dorian Arapi	Tori Farran	Lauren Mattey
Jacob Bir	Zachary Golden	Stephen Moore
Sally Butler	Corbin Grassa	Molly Ryan
Zachary Cole	Kevin Hadchiti	Adele Vernon
Sofia Distefano	Nick Haven	Xavier Worsencroft

## PRODUCTION ASSISTANTS

Kate Baugh	Srivatsa Murari
Ella DeBan	Fritz Schauss
Lily Good	Helina Wilson
Lauren Hansborough	Allison Matovic
Izzy Higley	Alyssa Molina
Casey Kemer	

## STAGE CREW

Faith Johnson .....	Head Stage Crew
Pierce DiFilippo	Maya McCain
Aiden Gleske	Maddi Randall
Brooklyn Letanosky	Silas Sherman

## CHILDREN APPEARING IN "WHEN I GROW UP"

Caroline Carone - Construction Worker	Cael D'Andrea - Fireman	Ashley Kozar - Artist
Tommy Carone - Soldier	Mallory Hanratty - Veterinarian	Saige Worsencroft - Police Officer

# MATILDA

## ACT 1

Scene 1	"Miracle"
Kids, Mr. Wormwood, Mrs. Wormwood, Parents	
Scene 2	"Naughty"
Mr. & Mrs. Wormwood, Matilda & Michael	
Scene 3	"Acrobat Story I"
Mrs. Phelps, Matilda, Miss Honey, Escapologist, Acrobat	
Scene 4	"School Song"
Matilda, Miss Honey, Kids	
Scene 5	"Pathetic"
Miss Honey, Trunchbull, Kids	
	"The Hammer"
Miss Honey, Trunchbull, Kids	
Scene 6	"Naughty Reprise"
Mr. & Mrs. Wormwood, Matilda & Michael	
Scene 7	"Chokey Chant"
Matilda, Kids, Trunchbull	
Scene 8	"Loud"
Mr. Wormwood, Miss Honey, Mrs. Wormwood, Rudolpho, Featured Dancers	
	"This Little Girl"
Mr. Wormwood, Miss Honey, Mrs. Wormwood, Rudolpho, Featured Dancers	
Scene 9	"Acrobat Story II"
Mrs. Phelps, Matilda, Escapologist, Acrobat, Trunchbull	
Scene 10	"Bruce"
Miss Honey, Trunchbull, Matilda, Bruce, Kids	

**— THERE WILL BE A 15 MINUTE INTERMISSION —**

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## ACT 2

Scene 11	"All I Know"
Mr. Wormwood, Michael, Featured Dancers	
Scene 12	"When I Grow Up"
Lavender, Miss Honey, Matilda, Children	
Scene 13	"Acrobat Story III"
Mrs. Phelps, Matilda, Escapologist, Acrobat	
Scene 14	"I'm So Clever"
Mr. & Mrs. Wordwood Matilda, Michael	
Scene 15	"Acrobat Story IV"
Matilda, Escapologist	
Scene 16	"The Smell of Rebellion"
Mrs. Honey, Matilda, Trunchbull, Kids	
Scene 17	"Quiet"
Mrs. Honey, Matilda, Trunchbull, Kids	
Scene 18	"My House"
Miss Honey, Matilda, Escapologist, Trunchbull	
Scene 19	"Revolting Children"
Trunchbull, Mrs. Honey, Matilda, Kids	
Scene 20	"Priyatna Paznakomitsa"
Mrs. Phelps, Miss Honey, Matilda, Mr & Mrs. Wordwood, Michael, Rudolpho, Sergei & Henchmen	
Scene 21	"Bows"
Everyone	



# MATILDA

## 2021-2022 DRAMA CLUB OFFICERS

President ..... Kameron Riggs (Sr.)

Vice President ..... Lily Good (Sr.)

Secretary/Treasurer ..... Kate Baugh (Sr.)

Public Relations Chairs ..... Katie Williams (Sr.)  
& Sophie Barrett (So.)

Costume Chair ..... Katie Soltis (Sr.)

Props Chair ..... Katie Yarham (Sr.)

Junior Rep ..... Anna Carone

Sophomore Rep ..... Lauren Schaefer

Freshmen Rep ..... Jeremy Sapola

Assistant Director ..... Lauren Hansborough (Sr.)





# SENIORS



**KATE BAUGH** is a senior at ALHS who has participated as a cast member in *Elf the Musical Jr.* and *Matilda* (2020). This year she is the Drama Club Secretary and Treasurer and she hopes you enjoy the show!



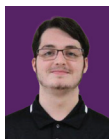
**LILY GOOD** is a senior and has been a part of *The Faerie King's Daughter*, *On The Town*, *Elf The Musical Jr.*, and *Matilda* (2020). This year, she is a Production Assistant and Vice President of the Drama Club! She hopes you enjoy

the show!

**AVERIE BILLINGTON** is a senior at ALHS. She has been playing the viola for 7 years and is excited to be a part of the pit for the first time. She is so excited to bring the show to life through the music and the amazing people in the pit!



**CORBIN GRASSA** is a senior at Avon Lake High School. This is the eighth production of his drama career and hopefully not one of his last. He is currently one of the people that manages the rail system and helps a lot during the production of the backgrounds. He would like to thank you for coming to the play and hopes you enjoy the show.



**JACOB BIR** is a senior at ALHS, he has worked on productions with the tech crew since his 8th grade year. Jacob is the head of lights and is excited to work on another show with all of his friends. He hopes you all enjoy the show!



**LAUREN HANSBOROUGH** is a senior at ALHS and is excited to be assistant director for this year's production of *Matilda*. Lauren has also been in the cast of *The Faerie King's Daughter*, *On the Town*, *Elf the Musical Jr.*, and *Matilda* (2020). She is very proud of the hard work the cast and crew have put in for this production, and she hopes you enjoy the show!



**BENJAMIN DORMAN** is a senior at ALHS, and will be playing *Michael Wormwood*, *a Big Kid*, and *a Dad* throughout the musical. This will be his second production, having performed as a *Policeman* and a *Caroler* in *Elf Jr.* He also greatly enjoys participating in *Merples*, *Chorale*, and *Orchestra*. He hopes you find the show to be very entertaining.



**IZZY HIGLEY** is a senior at ALHS/LCJVS. She has been with the Avon Lake Drama Club for four years and MGP for two years. The shows she has been in are *The Faerie King's Daughter* (*Troll Elphaba*), MGP's 2020 production of *Joseph* and the *Technicolor Dreamcoat* (*Ensemble*). She was also a production assistant for *Elf the Musical Jr.* in 2019 and is very excited to return as a production assistant for *Matilda*. She is also in the hospitality program at JVS. Her dream job after she graduates is working at a daycare or childcare center. Izzy will be in the ensemble for MGP's 2022 production of *The Children of Eden*.



**BRENT FOLEY** is a senior at ALHS and is performing in his first-ever production. He was initially a part of the Pit Orchestra for the 2020 production of *Matilda*, but then that fateful March 13th came and everything was shut down, including the show. Now he's back and this time performing both vocally and visually on stage. He'll be playing numerous roles during the show, most notably *Sergei* the Russian mob boss. Outside of drama, Brent helps direct the ALHS *Marching Shoremen* as the Senior Field Commander along with singing as a *Tenor/Baritone* and *beat-boxing* in the a capella group *Immix*. He hopes that each and every one of you enjoys this marvelous show.



**FAITH JOHNSON** moves stuff.

# SENIORS



**NATE JORGENSEN** is a senior and is thrilled to be a part of this show. He would like to thank Mrs. Frank and everyone else involved with the show! Go to [Nafan.bandcamp.com](http://Nafan.bandcamp.com) for more Nate!



**AARON KIMMEL** is a Senior at ALHS and is ecstatic to finally be back on stage after not having a show last year. He is the only dancer casted for Matilda, but looks forward to every scene he is in. He loves having this opportunity to be on stage again and hopes to be in the spring show for this year. Aaron thanks you for supporting the ALHS drama club and hopes you enjoy this amazing show!



**ALLISON MATOVIC** is a senior at ALHS and is so excited to be returning for her third show as a production assistant and her first show as part of the pit orchestra. She has always loved making the stage come to life with art, and would like to thank all the other production assistants who helped make this show so beautiful. Allison has also been playing the violin for 5 years and the piano for 13, and is thrilled to be performing with the orchestra. She hopes everyone enjoys Matilda!



**CHRISTIAN PUDEISKI** is a senior at ALHS and couldn't be more excited to be performing again as the Children's Entertainer and a Big Kid in this year's version of Matilda: The Musical. This is his third show with the high school after being in Elf Jr and On The Town. Aside from drama club, he plays the violin in Chamber Orchestra and is a bass in Chorale and Merples. Christian has had a blast being on stage again with all of his friends, and he hopes that excitement reaches all of you in the audience!



**SYD RYAN** is a senior at ALHS and is thrilled to have a dual role in Matilda as the Tech Crew Manager and Amanda. This will be her 6th production with ALHS Drama Club, and plans to continue through college while also studying Music Therapy. Her past performances on stage include Pippin, On The Town, and Matilda (2020), while her behind-the-scenes roles have been spotlight for Faerie King's Daughter and sound for Elf Jr. the Musical. Syd thanks Mrs. Frank, the tech crew, and her family and friends for all



**RACHEL SAPOLA** is a senior at ALHS and is excited to be playing the cello in the pit orchestra. She has previously played in the pit orchestra for On the Town during her freshman year and for Matilda during her sophomore year before the show was canceled. She has played cello for eight years and was drawn to playing in a pit orchestra after attending all of her brother Jeremy's shows. She can't wait to finally be in her first production with her brother and she hopes you love Matilda!



**KATIE SOLTIS** is a senior at ALHS and is ecstatic to be back on stage as Mrs. Wormwood in Matilda The Musical (take two)! This will be her fifth show with the high school and her seventh show overall. Outside of theatre, Katie is a member of The ALHS's Chamber Orchestra and Chorale. She is also in her tenth year of singing with the Oberlin Choristers. Katie has absolutely adored being a part of this production, and she hopes you enjoy the show!



**GANNON WACKER** is a senior at the ALHS and is so excited to be a part of the show. This is his third show with the ALHS Drama Club but fifth overall. His freshman year was his beginning in the ALHS drama club being in the ensemble for On The Town. Although it wasn't a big role he was still happy to be in the show. This year he got the supporting lead role of Rudolpho, Mrs Wormwood's dance partner. For him this is a role of a lifetime. He hopes you can enjoy the show and that he could make you laugh!



**KATIE YARHAM** is a senior at ALHS and is beyond excited to finally return to the stage with her fellow cast-mates. She is very grateful for the opportunity and challenge of performing as Mrs. Honey in the 2021 production of Matilda! Katie has been a part of the drama club since her freshman year beginning as a production assistant in The Faerie King's Daughter and vocal ensemble during On The Town. The following year she had the opportunity to be a lead elf and perform in the vocal ensemble for Elf The Musical JR. In addition to theater, she enjoys singing and playing her piano, violin, and guitar. Katie would like to thank her family and friends for all their love and support over the years. She hopes you enjoy the show!

# SENIORS



DORIAN ARAPI



BEVIN BAKER



MATT GRAVES



NATHAN JOHNSON



SIDNEY MCLEAN



ALYSSA MOLINA



KAMERON RIGGS



REBECCA WICHMAN



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**KATIE HALL**  
**ELIZABETH LANG**  
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# CAST + CREW



## CAST



**SOPHIE BARRETT** is a Sophomore at ALHS and is excited to take part in Matilda the musical. Sophie is an imaginary character as well as a parent in this production. She has been participating in theatre since she was six. She hopes everyone enjoys the show!



**BROOKLAN BENESH** is a Sophomore at ALHS and is beyond thrilled to play The Acrobat, a featured dancer, and dance captain for her first high school production. She is grateful she has the opportunity to help bring Matilda to life and would like to welcome you to the show.



**JOEY BIRK** is a junior at ALHS and is returning for his second ALHS drama club show. He was previously in the ensemble for the 2019 Elf Jr. production, and is ecstatic to now have the role of Bruce and of a Russian henchman. Outside of drama, Joey also helps lead the ALHS marching band as drum major. He also enjoys singing in Chorale and Merples, and will be participating in the 2022 OMEA All-State Choir. Joey wishes everyone an amazing show!



**MAYSON BOOLISH** is an 8th grader at Learwood Middle School and is so grateful for the opportunity to play Amanda in this production of Matilda. This is Mayson's fourth production with ALHS. She would like to thank her friends and family for supporting her, and hope you enjoy the show!



**ANNA CARONE** is a junior at ALHS and is thrilled to play the part of Matilda in her second production with the ALHS Drama Club. Anna has been in theatre since elementary school and has been in many productions at the Beck Center and French Creek Theater. Outside of theatre, she enjoys playing her guitar, singing with the Merples, she enjoys reading books! She thanks her friends, family and the rest of the incredible cast for all of their love and support and hopes everyone enjoys the show!



**ELENA CARONE** is a freshman at ALHS and is super excited to be a part of her first high school production, Matilda. She has been doing theater for a number of years and is excited for everyone to see the show!



**SARAH CRACAS** is a Junior at ALHS and is excited to be able to play the part of Lavender in this year's show of Matilda the Musical (Let's try this again!). Sarah has been involved in over 12 shows since 2015. Some of her favorite roles were Sarah Brown in Guys and Dolls, Raggedy Ann in Babes in Toyland, and a child soloist and servant girl in Compassion the Musical. She can't wait to bring this story to life for everyone to enjoy.



**ANNA MARIE DURBIN** is a junior at ALHS and is thrilled to be back to performing again! She is so excited to play Mrs. Phelps in her second performance with the Drama Club. She has been acting for 6 years, and has mainly been in productions for the Beck Center. This show goes out to her mom and dad, who are missing it to go to Mexico.



**CAILEEN GIBBONS** is a sophomore at Avon Lake High School. She has been dancing for 12 years and has just started her vocal journey. She has previously performed in three plays, and this is her FIRST musical and show at ALHS. She is excited to play the cook and thanks her family for all their support.



**JULIA GRISSINGER** is a junior at ALHS and is so excited to play the role of Lavender in this production of Matilda. She would like to thank her friends and family for always supporting her. Enjoy the show!



**GRACE HALLETT** is a junior at ALHS and is beyond excited to be returning for her third production with Avon Lake High School. She was in two previous shows, Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat and Miracle on 34th Street. She is so thrilled to be back and performing the role as a big kid and a featured dancer. Outside of theatre, she is a part of the Avon Lake Dance Team, and additionally runs track. She would like to thank her friends and family for all of the amazing support, and hopes that everyone enjoys Matilda!



# CAST + CREW



**KAYLA HASKINS** is a sophomore at ALHS and this is her first show on the ALHS stage! Some of her favorite roles include Tomika in School Of Rock (Weathervane Playhouse), Annie in Annie (French Creek Theater) and Storyteller in Children of Eden (French Creek Theater.) Kayla is also on the swim team and lacrosse team! She would like to thank her mom, friends, the cast and crew, and her vocal coach, Helen Todd for their support! Sit Back, Relax, and Enjoy the show!



**LIBBY HAWKINSON** is a Junior at ALHS and is very excited to be a part of her very first school production as an imaginary character/swing. She thanks her family and friends for their support and hopes everyone enjoys Matilda!



**MAX KEATON** is a Sophomore at ALHS and is enjoying his time as a Big Kid in Matilda. He has experience on stage at The Beck Center and sings with ALHS Chorale and Immix. Max looks forward to the shows!



**ANNELISE KLENZ** is very excited to be in her first production at ALHS. She has always loved musical theater and is happy to join again. She has had so much fun with this production and hopes everyone enjoys the show.



**CADENCE LAUFER** is a freshman at ALHS, and is extremely excited to be in her first production at the school. She loves working with all of her fellow cast members, and is proud to be a part of Matilda. She hopes you enjoy the show!



**EVELYN RICHARDS** is a junior this year and is very excited for her first Avon Lake production. She is very involved with music in and out of school and has been a part of some smaller productions outside of school. She hopes you enjoy the show.



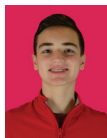
**JEREMY SAPOLA** is a freshman at ALHS. This is his 14th production, but 1st time on stage at ALHS and he is thrilled to be playing Nigel! He hopes that each and every one of you enjoys the show.



**LAUREN SCHAEFER** is a sophomore at ALHS and is beyond excited to be basically in her first production ever as the Nurse, Imaginary Character, and Swing! She has been doing acting classes for who knows how long and is so grateful to be a part of this show. She would like to thank her family, friends, the cast, and her acting teachers. Enjoy the show!



**BRITTA SEVCIK** is very excited to be a part of her first Avon Lake production as a Big Kid in Matilda. She would like to thank her mom and dad for all the support they have provided for her during the production of this Musical. She hopes you all enjoy the show that everyone has worked so hard to put together.



**MATT SHERBAN** is a freshman at ALHS. This is his 1st time on stage at ALHS as a student of the high school and he is thrilled to be playing the role of Tommy! He hopes that everyone will enjoy the show.



**RED STRIFFLER** is a junior at ALHS and is so excited to be a part of the Matilda cast. They have been in a few musicals in the past but this is their first show at ALHS! They were in the show their freshman year and are ready to finally be able to put it on for you all. They hope you will all enjoy the show!



**HOPE TAMONEY** is a junior at ALHS and is the dance captain for the production Matilda. She is proud of everyone for the hard work put towards the show and hopes you enjoy your night! :)



**KATIE TILLERY** is honored to play the role of Alice. Some of her favorite theater credits include: Matilda in Matilda the Musical, Jemima Potts in Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, and Young Fiona in Shrek the Musical. She was most recently seen in the film, A Small Thing, which won best film at the Cleveland 48 Hour Horror Film Project.



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**AJ WANSACK** is a sophomore at ALHS and is beyond excited to be performing as Miss Agatha Trunchbull for his first high school drama club production! He has been involved in theater since fifth grade and hopes you all enjoy Matilda.



**JULIA WORSENCROFT** is in eighth grade at Learwood. She has been in many productions at ALHS starting with Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat when she was in first grade. She hopes you enjoy the show!



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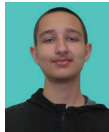
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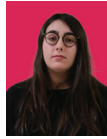
CAMYRYN TENBRINK



## TECH CREW



**SOFIA DISTEFANO** is a freshman at ALHS and is very excited to partake in this production. Overall this is the third production she is partaking in but it is her first at ALHS. Sofia will be assisting with lights during the show. She truly hopes you enjoy this amazing musical



**TORI FARRAN** is a freshman at ALHS who is very happy to be working her first show. She hopes everyone does a good job and that you all enjoy the show.



**ZACH GOLDEN** is a freshman at ALHS. He started with Tech Crew in 8th grade. He is excited to finally have a chance to work the rails on his first Drama Club production.



**KEVIN HADCHITI** is a freshman at ALHS and is excited to work in the production of Matilda as being part of Tech Crew. He is passionate about engineering and technology. Kevin is thrilled to be filming his first musical and hopes that this will be a success, while the audience enjoys the show.



**LAUREN MATTEY** is a freshman at ALHS who has participated in Alice in Wonderland and Matilda. She is very excited to work on this production and hopes that everyone has a good time!

**ADELE VERNON** is a freshman at ALHS and is ecstatic to be a part of the production of the musical Matilda. Adele will be assisting in the production by working the soundboard with Mr. Jarufe, our school's choir director. It is her first show with the Avon Lake high school drama club, and she is delighted to have the opportunity to work with such talented and kind people. Enjoy the show!



**XAVIER WORSENCROFT** is a Sophomore at ALHS and is excited to light up the stage. He has been looking forward to giving the best performance experience for all watchers. Have a good night and enjoy the show.

# CAST + CREW



## STAGE CREW



**PIERCE DIFILIPPO** is a junior at ALHS and is excited for another year on stage crew. This is his second production and he has put a lot of hard work into the show. He will be working in the wings of the stage and making sure everything goes out correctly. He hopes you enjoy the show.



**BROOKLYN LETANOSKY** is very excited to help as a member of the stage crew on her very first production! I am so proud of everyone and their hard work they've put into Matilda



**MAYA MCCAIN** is a junior on stage crew.



**MADDI RANDALL** is a freshman at ALHS and is excited to be working on stage crew for her first production. She hopes everyone enjoys the show!



**SILAS SHERMAN** is a Freshman at ALHS and is excited to be working for his first Drama Club production. He has been involved in theatre since he was in fourth grade. He's very excited for this production and hopes everyone enjoys it.



**AIDEN GLESKE**



## PRODUCTION ASST



**SRIVATSA MURARI** is a Freshman at ALHS and is excited to be working for his first Drama Club production. He's very excited for this production and hopes everyone enjoys it.

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ELISE CHAPIN  
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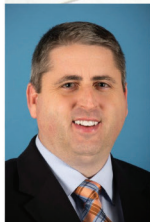


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# SHOUT-OUTS

**SYD**, We're so proud of all you've done during your ALHS drama career!  
Lots of love ~ Mom, Dad & Molly

**LIBBY** - We are so proud of you and looking forward to seeing you on stage again! Good luck with your first musical.  
Love always, Mom, Dad,  
Abby, Katy, & Lauren

**JULIA**, "Pride is not the words I'm looking for, there is so much more inside me now." Enjoy the show! Break a leg!  
Love, Mom, Dad and Jackie

**LAUREN**, Break a leg!! We love watching you do your thing!  
Love, Mom and Dad

**FAITH**  
Great job moving stuff!  
Love ya, Dad

**JOEY** - We are so proud of you and excited to see you shine!  
Have a blast in the show!  
Love - Mom, Dad, Danny & Emily

**KATIE** - we have loved watching you "grow up" on and off stage with ALHS drama club! May all your dreams come true! Hope you have a great senior year!  
Love, Mom, Dad, Abby, Maggie + Tyler

**SARAH** - We love to watch you perform!  
We're so proud of you!  
Love - Aunt Shea & Uncle Brad

**EVELYN**, You are the most fabulousness person in the whole world. You are a shining star, and I love you so much!  
Love, Mom

**FAITH** I love you to the moon and back.  
I'm so proud of you.  
Love, Mom

**MATT** - We are so proud of you!  
Break a leg.  
Mom, Dad & Emma

**JEREMY & RACHEL**  
To our two "Revolting Children," we are still so proud of you.  
Jeremy, break a leg as Nigel,  
and Rachel, break a bow in the pit!  
Love, Mom & Dad

**KATIE YARHAM**  
We are so proud of you!  
We love you! Grama & Grampa Herring

**SARAH** - Good luck with the performance. We are forever proud of you! Break a leg!  
Grandpa Frank and Grandma Sheryl

**KAMERON** - Don't wait until you've reached your goal to be proud of yourself. Be proud of every step you take toward reaching that goal. **WE LOVE YOU!**  
Mom, Dad, Katelyn & Konner

**CAILEEN**  
You Got This! Break-a-leg!  
Mom, Dad & Ammie

**MAYA** I'm proud of your hard work and dedication in shows past, present and future.  
Break a leg! Love, Mom

**MAYSON**, We are so proud of you and excited to watch you perform again on the ALHS stage! Break a leg!  
Love, Mom, Dad & Owen

**SARAH** - Time to shine Lavender!  
Love, Mom, Dad, Cade,  
Samantha & Breanna

**KATIE**, it is fitting that you're Miss Honey, because "*There is no doubt, she possessed that rare gift for being adored by every small child under her care.*"  
Matilda - Roald Dahl Break a leg!  
Love, Dad, Mom, Emily & Joey

Good Luck **ALYSSA!**  
We love you!

**DEAR ANNELISE**, We are so excited to watch you on stage @ALHS!  
We love you. Mom, Dad & Livvie

Congratulations **REBECCA** on landing a spot on stage in your first High School musical. Shine bright beautiful star.  
We are so proud of your hard work and dedication!  
Love ~ Mom, Dad & Josh

**MAX**  
Break a leg.  
Love, Mom, Dad & Jack

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