



ST. PAUL ACADEMY
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THE 25TH ANNUAL PUTNAM COUNTY
SPELLING BEE

**UPPER SCHOOL
STUDENT-DIRECTED MUSICAL 2017**

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HUSS CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS
RANDOLPH CAMPUS

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Music and Lyrics by William Finn | Book by Rachel Sheinkin and additional material by Jay Reiss
The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee is produced with special arrangements through Music Theatre International.

CAST

William Barfée.....	Henry Vlietstra '20
Olive Ostrovsky.....	Dorienn Hoven '18
Logainne Schwartzandgrubeniere.....	Gracie Tilney-Kaemer '21
Marcy Park/Olive's Mom.....	Ananya Narayan '20
Leaf Coneybear/Carl Dad.....	Drew Fawcett '18
Chip Tolentino/Jesus.....	Ethan Asis '19
Vice Principal Douglas Panch.....	Rahul Dev '18
Rona Lisa Peretti.....	Quinn Christensen '20
Mitch Mahoney/Dan Dad/Olive's Dad.....	Max Moen '19
Amelia Lynden/Leaf's Mom.....	Grace Krasny '21
Sophia Anderson/Leaf's Sister.....	Sydney Therien '20
Britney Smith/Leaf's Dad.....	Anja Trierweiler '21

MUSICAL NUMBERS

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee.....	Company
The Spelling Rules.....	Panch, Spellers
My Favorite Moment of the Bee.....	Rona
My Friend the Dictionary.....	Olive and Company
The First Goodbye.....	Company
Pandemonium.....	Panch, Chip, Mitch, Spellers
I'm Not That Smart.....	Leaf
The Second Goodbye.....	Company
Magic Foot.....	Barfée, Company
Pandemonium (reprise).....	Mitch, Chip, Company
My Favorite Moment of the Bee (reprise).....	Rona
Prayer of the Comfort Counselor.....	Mitch, Company
Chip's Lament.....	Chip
Woe is Me.....	Logainne, Carl, Dan, Company
Spelling Montage.....	Panch, Spellers
I'm Not That Smart (reprise).....	Leaf
I Speak Six Languages.....	Marcy, Company
Jesus.....	Marcy, Jesus, Company
The I Love You Song.....	Olive, Olive's Parents
Woe is Me (reprise).....	Logainne, Mitch, Company
My Favorite Moment of the Bee (reprise 2).....	Rona
Second.....	Barfée, Olive, Rona, Company
Finale.....	Company
Last Goodbye.....	Company

ARTISTIC STAFF

Director.....	Jonah Harrison '18
Musical Director.....	JJ Gisselquist '18
Assistant Director/Stage Manager.....	Maya Shrestha '18
Faculty Advisors.....	Eric Severson, Anne Klus
Scenic Supervisor.....	Sara Herman
Lighting Designers.....	Sabrina Rucker '18, Tucker Waltenbaugh '18
Light and Sound Board Operators.....	Tucker Waltenbaugh '18, Sabrina Rucker '18, Gabriel Konar-Steenberg '19, Evan Barnes '20, Lyle Menard '21, Zoe Hermer-Cisek '19, Rafael Barocas '21
Hair and Make-Up.....	Sylvie Schifsky '18, Zoe Hermer-Cisek '19
Tech Crew.....	Noa Carlson '18
Program Design.....	Alex Loveland

ORCHESTRA

Conductor.....	JJ Gisselquist '18
Piano.....	Tim Kraack '05
Keyboard.....	JJ Gisselquist '18
Violin.....	Julia Wang '18
Cello.....	Julia Scott '21

DIRECTOR'S NOTES

Jonah Harrison '18

I have always enjoyed the music from *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, but over the process of this production, I have come to have a much greater appreciation for the show as a whole. This musical brilliantly covers the themes of struggling through childhood—whether it be in terms of puberty or independence—but still manages to make you laugh and cry without feeling like you are watching a children's movie.

I am extremely happy and proud of the work this cast has done. It has been a dream of mine to direct a musical since the summer before junior year and I could not be happier with the cast and crew I have had the pleasure of working with during this show. Not often will I have the opportunity to play on a stage as incredible and professional as the one we have in the Huss Center. All of the adults I have worked with during this process have been so supportive and helpful to me. I would like to especially thank Bryn Roberts and Chris Hughes who both believed in the success of my project and helped to get it off the ground. I would also like to thank Eric Severson who has taught me such an incredible amount during my journey of learning how to direct a musical, and Anne Klus who has been another huge mentor during this process.

Finally, I want to thank my two friends who have been so incredible to work with: Maya Shrestha, Assistant Director and Stage Manager, and JJ Gisselquist, the Music Director and Orchestra Conductor. Both have donated extreme amounts of time to make this show run smoothly. I am very proud of this show and I cannot wait to share the art we have made with all of you.

Enjoy.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Middle School Fall Play - *Zink: The Myth, The Legend, The Zebra*

Friday, October 27, 2017, 7 p.m.
Saturday, October 28, 2017, 4 p.m.
Huss Center for the Performing Arts

Upper School Fall Play - *The Secret in the Wings*

Friday, November 17, 2017, 7 p.m.
Saturday, November 18, 2017, 7 p.m.
Huss Center for the Performing Arts

Upper School Pops Concert

Friday, December 1, 2017, 7 p.m.
Saturday, December 2, 2017, 7 p.m.
Huss Center for the Performing Arts

Middle School Winter Instrumental Concert

Wednesday, December 13, 2017, 6:30 p.m.
Huss Center for the Performing Arts

Middle School Winter Choral Concert

Thursday, December 14, 2017, 6:30 p.m.
Huss Center for the Performing Arts

Upper School Winter One-Acts

Friday, January 26, 2018 at 7 p.m.
Huss Center for the Performing Arts

Middle School Musical

Friday, March 2, 2018, 7 p.m.
Saturday, March 3, 2018, 4 p.m.
Huss Center for the Performing Arts

Upper School Vocal/Orchestral Spring Concert with SPA Community Chorale

Saturday, April 28, 2018, 7 p.m.
Huss Center for the Performing Arts

Middle/Upper School Jazz Band Concert

Sunday, April 29, 2018, 2 p.m.
Huss Center for the Performing Arts

Upper School Spring Musical - *Rent*

Friday, May 18, 2018, 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 19, 2018, 7 p.m.
Sunday, May 20, 2018, 4 p.m.

Middle School Spring One-Acts

Thursday, May 24, 2018, 7 p.m.
Driscoll Family Commons

Middle School Spring Instrumental Concert

Wednesday, May 30, 2018, 6:30 p.m.
Huss Center for the Performing Arts

Middle School Spring Choral Concert

Thursday, May 31, 2018, 6:30 p.m.
Huss Center for the Performing Arts