

October 4 2018

Dear Theatre Directors:

Clarke County High School and I are pleased to serve as the host for the Bull Run Sectional of Region 2B Theatre Festival. This year the festival will be held on Monday, October 22 2018 the date set by the AD council.

According to VHSL rules, you must provide a complete entry form, proof of permission from the publishing company to perform the show, and a filed MEL by the deadline herein prescribed. Remember that any student working on the show, either performing or working backstage, must be eligible according to VHSL rules. This year you must also bring a copy of your script to the festival site in case it needs to be referred to.

The festival will begin with registration at 3:30 PM in the front lobby of CCHS just through the main door. Props will be stored behind the theatre in the hallway making for easy load in and strike. Members of Thespian Troupe 7994 will help schools find their storage areas. There will be ten minutes allowed time before and after each production to set up and strike your set. **If a school does not use the entirety of its allotted performance time, the next school needs to be ready to go as soon as possible. We will not wait for your scheduled time. Be sure to notify parents and visitors coming to see your show that your could go earlier than the stated time.**

Each team will be assigned a classroom to serve as a "green room". Please be respectful of the classrooms and leave them as you found them. We have boys and girls dressing rooms behind the theatre which can be used communally until performances begin, then they may be used by the next show's cast while the show before them is performing.

There are limited food options near the school, so Thespian Troupe 7994 will be selling pizza (\$2.00 a slice, whole pies \$12.00) , water, snacks and baked goods(\$1.00) for the dinner break and throughout with festival. There is no food or drink in the auditorium though.

Registration 3:30 to 4 PM (Stage walk times, 10 min each, will be assigned in the order schools arrive)

Judges meeting 3:45 to 4:15

Introduction and welcome in the Auditorium 4:15 PM

Order of Performance (drawn by the AD Council)

4:30 Clarke

5:15 Madison County

6:00 George Mason

6:45 Central

7:30 Strasburg

Awards will follow as soon as the judges decisions are made.

The CCHS auditorium seats about 750 if all the seats are out, however for this event we will probably not have the back bank of seating out so there will be seating for about 450. The playing area of the stage is 23 feet deep by 55 feet wide. The apron extends 10 feet from the plaster line, but is only able to be lit about 4 feet in front of that line. There are stairs up to the apron on both sides of the stage. Double doors on the back wall on stage left and stage right lead out to a hallway where props can be stored and loaded in. Three black traveler curtains divide the stage roughly into thirds, and we recommend playing in front of the second traveler to allow for a crossover behind scenes. There is about 10 feet of wing space on both sides.

We'll provide a general stage wash and the ability to isolate stage left and right. We have two follow spots. Our soundboard plays off iPods and laptops most easily, CDs are possible but easiest to run off a laptop due to the location of the CD player. Technicians will be available to show students how to run the equipment. VHSL rules state each school must bring their own light and sound techs to run the show. We don't have stage floor mics, we do have hanging choir mics that pick up minimally. Corded and wireless mics are also available. If you send us special tech needs you have, we can try to accommodate.

Please contact your AD for best directions to Clarke County High School. We dismiss at 3:10, so if you arrive before 3:30 please use the faculty parking lot with access from Mosby Blvd rather than the bus loop in front of the school. After 3:30 you may unload in the bus loop off Main Street. If you have large items to unload there is a loading dock behind the school near the auditorium. Access to this is also off Mosby Blvd past the faculty and visitor lots.

PLEASE EMAIL ME A COPY OF YOUR ENTRY FORM AND ALL PAPERWORK BY OCTOBER 19 SO THAT I MAY PRODUCE A PROGRAM. MY EMAIL IS [BREWERC@CLARKE.K12.VA.US](mailto:brewerc@clarke.k12.va.us). IF YOU NEED TO REACH ME THE NUMBER AT THE SCHOOL IS 540-955-6130 AND MY CELL IS 304-886-4424.

If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact me. We look forward to a great evening of excellent theatre.

Break a leg!

Christine Brewer

Director