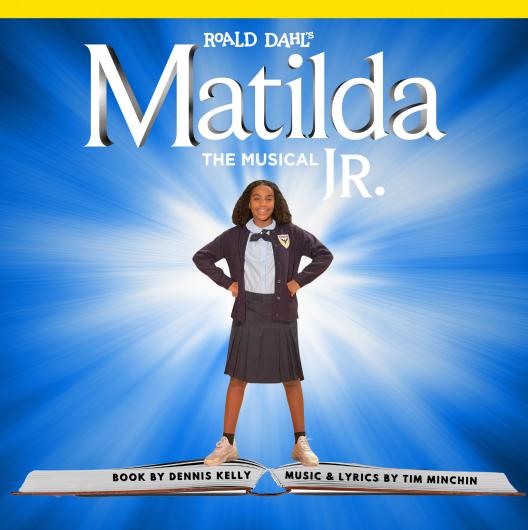
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ACT I

MiracleFull Cast		
NaughtyMatilda		
Acrobat Story IMatilda, Escapologist, Acrobat		
School SongStudent Ensemble		
The HammerMs. Trunchbull, Student Ensemble		
Chokey ChantStudent Ensemble		
This Little GirlMiss Honey		
Acrobat Story IIMatilda, Escapologist, Acrobat		
BruceMs. Trunchbull, Miss Honey, Student Ensemble		
Acrobat Story IIIMatilda, Escapologist, Acrobat		
ACT II		
When I Grow UpFull Cast		
Acrobat Story IVMatilda, Escapologist, Acrobat		
The Smell of RebellionMs. Trunchbull, Student Ensemble		
QuietMatilda		
Revolting ChildrenStudent Ensemble		
FinaleFull Cast		

CAST & CREW

(in order of appearance)

Eric	Enzo Massaro
Tommy	Christopher Anderson
Amanda	Arianna Juskowich
Bruce	Chloe Fisher
Lavender	McCartney Nader
Alice	Baylee Williams
Hortensia	Mackenzi Wilson
Nigel	Ava Dietz
Matilda	Jesse Dermotta
Mr. Wormwood	Billy Spell
Mrs. Wormwood	Ashtyn Younkin
Michael	Brayden Anderson
Mrs. Phelps	Ryley Ellsworth
Escapologist	Caliope Young
Acrobat	Lainey Smith
Miss Honey	Addison Kunkle
Agatha Trunchbull	Hailey Whalen
Mechanic	Jena Morris
Rudolpho	Russell Wieland
Sergei	Michael Williams

CAST & CREW

(in order of appearance)

Student Ensemble

Leanna Gates, Nevaeh Glesk, Crystal Hosey, Serenity Lucke, Shelby Mailki, Izabella McKenzie, Jena Morris, Emma Poland, Leigha Price, Lainey Smith, Damian Streets, Russell Wieland, Michael Williams, Caliope Young

PRODUCTION STAFF

Director/Choreographer/Producer	Kyli Stoner
Assistant Director	Jordan Gilbert
Production Assistant	Hallie Williams
Production Assistant	Savanna Stants
Production Assistant	Julie Shuber
Set Design	Ronalee Matthews & John Stants
Sound Design	Justin Quinn, ZJX Entertainment
Costume & Lighting Design	Kyli Stoner



BIOGRAPHIES

(in alphabetical order)

Christopher Anderson (Tommy) - Christopher is in 5th grade and is performing in his first ever musical! At school, Christopher plays soccer and basketball. He also plays for the Pittsburgh Riverhounds Soccer Club, and just bridged from cub scouts to boy scouts! He would like to thank his parents and grandparents for always making sure he gets to practice. He loves making new friends and memories at musical!

Brayden Anderson (Michael Wormwood) - Brayden is in 7th grade and this is his second YIMS Musical! He is involved with guitar club, ski club, the soccer team, basketball team, and student council. Brayden also plays soccer for the Yough Yough Soccer Association. He would like to thank his parents and grandparents for always making sure he gets to practice and is having a great time at musical!

Jesse Dermotta (Matilda Wormwood) - Jesse is in 7th grade and this is her first YIMS Musical! She is the Vice President of 7th grade Student Council and is also in the reading club, competes in the soccer, basketball, and track teams, and was selected for County Chorus this year! Jesse runs cross country and track for Inferno Track Club in Latrobe and plays travel soccer for Loyalhanna United. She has previously performed in Stage Right's productions of Beauty and The Beast, The Little Mermaid, and Newsies. Jesse is thrilled to perform in her first year as a student at YIMS and would like to thank her parents, sisters, and friends for all of their support.

Ava Dietz (Nigel) - Ava is in 7th grade and is excited to be a part of her second YIMS musical! She previously appeared in the 3rd grade play, *Beauty and the Beast* and *Seussical Jr*, where she was Thing 1! At school, Ava is in the WIRC Reading Club, Chorus, and the basketball team. Ava is excited to be a part of musical again this year. She hopes you enjoy watching everyone perform because they have been working hard!

Ryley Ellsworth (Mrs. Phelps) - Ryley is in 6th grade and is proud to be making her YIMS Musical debut! She plays percussion in the school band and likes to draw and play video games in her free time. Ryley was the lead in her 4th grade play! She also streams on Twitch!

Chloe Fisher (Bruce) - Chloe is in 7th grade and this is her second musical with YIMS! She has appeared in church plays and as Thing 2 in *Seussical Jr.* Chloe is a YIMS Cheerleader and is in the WIRC Reading Club. She has made multiple friends in musical! In 5th grade she made friends with the 7th graders and she loves making friends with the current 5th graders! She can't wait for you to see the show!

Leanna Gates (Ensemble) - Leanna is in 5th grade and is making her YIMS Musical debut! She loves tap and gymnastics and is a member of the ski club! Leanna enjoys crocheting, listening to music, and spending time with her family and two cats, Fluff and Tiger. She is happy to be a part of *Matilda Jr.* and is supported by her family and friends.

Nevaeh Glesk (Ensemble) - Nevaeh is in 5th grade and this is her first musical! She is involved in Student Council at YIMS and played for the Sewickley Softball team. She loves musical and softball and hopes you appreciate everyone's hard work!

Crystal Hosey (Ensemble) - Crystal is in 8th grade is this is her first time on the YIMS stage! She is in the knitting club and enjoys dance and baseball in her free time. She can't wait for you to see the show!

Arianna Juskowich (Amanda Thripp) - Ari is in 5th grade and this is her first YIMS Musical! She loves cheerleading in her free time. Ari has enjoyed musical and hopes to act in the future! She is proud to be a part of this musical and hopes everyone will enjoy it.

Addison Kunkle (Miss Honey) - Addi is in 8th grade and this is her first ever musical! She is a member of Student Council, Junior Honor Society, and Yearbook. In her free time, Addi likes to knit and she is currently learning to play guitar. Currently, she is interested in attending college for psychology.

Serenity Lucke (Ensemble) - Serenity is in 5th grade and this is her first YIMS Musical. We're sure there are many more interesting things to learn about her, but she didn't turn in a biography.

Shelby Mailki (Ensemble)-Shelby is in 5th grade is is excited to perform in her first musical! She enjoys getting to hang out with her friends at rehearsal and hopes you enjoy the show!

Enzo Massaro (Eric)-Enzo is in 5th grade and is proud to be perfoming in his first musical. He plays clarinet in band and is a member of Student Council. In his free time, Enzo loves to work on art! He is the "middle child" of seven in his family and enjoys the spotlight! Enzo loves doing arts and crafts as well as costume design. He's made a lot of new friends thanks to musical. "Luv, Enzo:)"

Izabella McKenzie (Ensemble) -Izabella is in 5th grade and this is her first time on stage! She is a girl scout and twirls baton at Golden Triangles. She participates in cheer and twirls baton in parades!

Jena Morris (Ensemble) - Jena is in 5th grade and this is her first musical! She plays clarinet in band at YIMS and loves to hang out with her friends and family. Jena enjoys making new friends at musical rehearsal and hopes you enjoy the product of the cast's hard work!

McCartney Nader (Lavender) - McCartney Nader is in 7th grade and is no stranger to the stage. She was cast as a Who in *Seussical Jr* for YIMS, portrayed an Elf in *Elf the Musical* for Actors and Artists of Fayette County at the Geyer Performing Arts Center, and takes dance class. Her school activities include Student Council, Musical, and Road Runners. She is excited to perform in a school musical after not being able to last year. McCartney has met a lot of cool people through the rehearsal process and is excited to perform in the show!

Emma Poland (Ensemble) - Emma is in 5th grade and this is her first YIMS Musical! She is a member of Student Council and loves cheerleading and gymnastics. Emma has been in church plays before and is proud to be a part of the musical. She is having fun making friends and memories!

Leigha Price (Ensemble) - Leigha is in 5th grade and this is her musical debut! She sings in the YIMS chorus and loves to hang out at home with her family! Leigha is excited to be performing in her first musical and would like to thank all of her family and friends for their support.

Lainey Smith (Acrobat/Ensemble) - Lainey is in 5th grade and this is her first ever musical! She is a member of Student Council, Band, and Chorus. In her spare time, Lainey participates in 4-H sunshine and the competition team at Dancin J's studio. She hopes you enjoy the show!

Billy Spell (Mr. Wormwood) - Billy is in 8th grade and this is his first musical at YIMS! He loves soccer, professional wrestling, playing in the school band, and gaming. Billy wants to thank his family for their support and can't wait for you to see the show!

Damian Streets (Ensemble)-Damian is in 5th grade and this is his first time ever on stage! He plays percussion in band at school and likes to play video games and hang out with his friends in his free time.

Hailey Whalen (Miss Trunchbull) - Hailey is in 7th grade and this is her second musical at YIMS, but the first one she gets to actually perform! She has previously been cast as Young Kangaroo in YIMS's production of *Seussical Jr.* and appeared onstage as Tiara in *Elf the Musical* for Actors and Artists of Fayette County at the Geyer Performing Arts Center. Hailey is a member of the Treblemakers and WIRC reading club at YIMS and takes tap in her free time!

Russell (J.R.) Wieland (Rudolpho, Ensemble) - Russell is in 7th grade and this is his first musical! He is a member of the football and track teams and loves hunting, treasure hunting, and Xbox. His family is proud of him for auditioning and he can't wait for you to see the show!

Baylee Williams (Ensemble) - Bailey is in 5th grade and this is her first musical! She is a member of chorus at YIMS. In her free time she enjoys baking, crafting, and cooking.

Michael Williams (Sergei, Ensemble) - Mikey is in 7th grade and this is his first musical! He has been playing the trumpet for three years and he loves it. In his spare time, Mikey enjoys hunting, fishing, riding his quad, and playing video games. He's excited for you to see the show!

Mackenzi Wilson (Hortensia) - Mackenzi is in 5th grade and this is her first musical! She is playing the role of Hortensia and is excited to perform. She would like to thank her friends and family for their support!

Caliope Young (Escapologist, Ensemble) - Caliope is in 8th grade and this is her first musical! At YIMS, she is part of yearbook, track, and musical. She is excited to be in her first musical, even though it's her last year at middle school. She is glad for making so many new friends and family and for trying this out!

Production Staff Biographies

Julie Shuber (Production Assistant) - Julie is a freshman at Yough Senior High School and is happy to be back helping with this year's production! She has previously appeared on the YIMS stage in *Freaky Friday* and *Seussival Jr.* She is excited to see all the hard work each student put into this year's production come together!

Savanna Stants (Production Assistant)- Savanna is a freshman at Yough Senior High School snd is proud to be helping as one of this year's production assistants! She is no stranger to the stage. Savanna has been dancing since she could remember and was a part of the KWDC dance studio in West Newton for many years of her life! Her previous YIMS Musical credits include Peter Pan Jr, (Smee), Freaky Friday (Dance Captain), and Seussical Jr (Cat, Dance Captain). She has performed in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat and a One Act Play at The Geyer Performing Arts Center. She most recently performed as YOUNG CAIN in Children of Eden for Actors and Artists of Fayette County at the Geyer Performing Arts Center. She is so happy to be fulfilling her love for theatre throughout high school and for being able to work with the beloved directors, Miss Kyli and Miss Jordan. She would like to thank her family and friends for supporting everything she decides to take on through life, especially her sister Shaina who has been her biggest fan and best friend since day one.

Hallie Williams (Production Assistant)- Hallie graduated from Yough High School in 2013, after which she received her Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees from Seton Hill University. She currently works as a physician assistant for the UPMC Comprehensive Epilepsy Center in Pittsburgh, PA. Hallie got her start in theatre on the YIMS stage. She continued to participate in musicals throughout all four years at Yough High School, as well as participate in community theatre into her college years. During her years at Seton Hill, she worked in the university theatre department scene shop, and volunteered with the YIMS musical production staff from 2014-2016. She is thrilled to be back with the YIMS musical staff for 2022!

Jordan Gilbert (Assistant Director) Jordan is a West Newton native and alumni of the Yough School District. In school, she was an active musical theater participant, and she is pleased to be able to provide a musical theater experience to kids at YIMS. Jordan continues to participate in community theater adventures, especially at the Geyer Performing Arts Center, where she has taken part in a variety of shows in a variety of ways. Jordan is an assistant manager at 60 Minute Missions Escape Room and is also an independent seller on Redbubble. She enjoys chocolate oat milk and her favorite musical is *Cabaret*.

Kyli Stoner (Director, Choreographer, Producer) - Kyli is a 2012 graduate of Connellsville High School and a 2016 graduate of Saint Vincent College. She is the Manager of Marketing, Development, and Membership at Westmoreland Cultural Trust in Greensburg. She was a student at Houck Dance Studio in Uniontown, PA where she specialized in tap and ballet. Kyli served as Vice-President for Saint Vincent College's The Company, the college's student-run theatre group. She was a four-year member of the music department's company, The Saint Vincent College Players. Kyli worked professionally with Saint Vincent Summer Theatre for four years serving as an Assistant Stage Manager. Kyli continues to be involved on and off stage in multiple theatres in the area. Her favorite musical is *An American in Paris*.

This is Kyli's sixth year as a member of the Yough Interemdiate Middle School Musical staff and she is grateful for the students, parents, and the administration for always being welcoming, cooperative, and willing to keep the arts alive. Kyli is elated to be a part of the young performers' musical theatre journeys and she hopes that these talented students will continue with theatre for years to come.

Special Thanks

The Yough School District Administration for making a middle school theatre program possible.

The YIMS Administration, faculty, and custodial staff.

Ronalee Matthews and John Stants

Julie Shuber and Savanna Stants for giving up three nights a week to help review material.

Amanda Leight, Chelsea Conway, Shawn Conway

*Anyone else who contributed their time, talents, resources, or wisdom toward this production of *Matilda Jr.* that were not specifically mentioned.

GOLDEN STAR AWARD RECIPIENTS

Jesse Dermotta

Ava Dietz

Ryley Ellsworth

Chloe Fisher

Leanna Gates

Nevaeh Glesk

Crystal Hosey

Ari Juskowich

Serenity Lucke

Shelby Mailki

Enzo Massaro

Izabella McKenzie

Jena Morris

McCartney Nader

Emma Poland

Leigha Price

Lainey Smith

Billy Spell

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Russell Wieland

Baylee Williams

Mikey Williams

Caliope Young

Ashtyn Younkin

PLATINUM STAR RECIPIENT

Chloe Fisher

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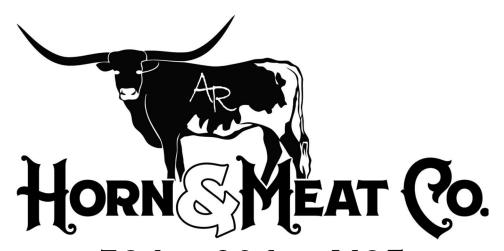
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Brayden and Christopher,

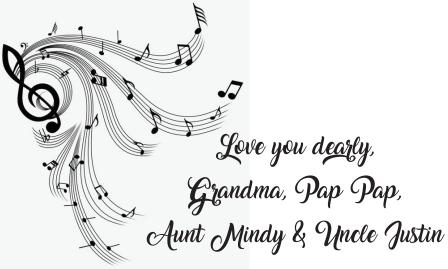
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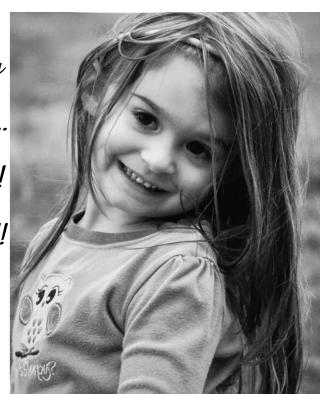
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