

HAMMOND THEATRE PRESENTS



**MEAN
GIRLS**

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HIGH SCHOOL VERSION



**BOOK BY
TINA FEY**

**MUSIC BY
JEFF RICHMOND**

**LYRICS BY
NELL BENJAMIN**

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Producer's Notes

Welcome to Hammond's production of *Mean Girls: High School Version!* We think it is totally fetch that you're here to join us for this uber relevant musical. As the Director of Theatre Arts at Hammond and the producer for *Mean Girls*, it is my job to select the show, facilitate critical details like finances and calendar coordination, and bring a team together to create magic on stage. It is my great pleasure to introduce the fabulous Ms. Lauren Lowell as our director for this production. She joined us last season as intimacy choreographer for *Twelfth Night* and then stepped into the role of choreographer for the Hot Box dancers for *Guys and Dolls*.

Arts education is inspiring, challenging and essential for our students; it promotes empathy, collaboration and critical thinking in real life circumstances. I am proud of all that this company has learned and the skills they've honed. I am honored to be on this journey with them working on a show where we don't have to ask "where do you belong?" Because we all belong.

Enjoy the show!

- Lauren Tobiason

Director's Notes

Mean Girls may be set in a high school, but the lessons it teaches resonate at any age. The pressure to change for others can make us lose sight of what makes us unique and powerful. It's easy to get caught up in trying to be someone we're not, but this only leaves us feeling empty and disconnected from who we truly are.

The characters in *Mean Girls* are flawed, just like all of us. They each face insecurities, peer pressure, and the longing for approval, but they also learn and grow from their mistakes. Through their journey, they realize that changing for others doesn't lead to true happiness.

At its core, this show is about staying true to who you are, no matter what society or others might say. It's about being a "girl boss," but not in a way that brings others down to lift yourself up. True empowerment comes from lifting others alongside you. When we create a space where everyone feels seen and valued we all become "fearless" and the world is better for it.

Sincerely fetch,

- Lauren Lowell

Act I

Mean: Janis, Damian

It Roars: Cady, Students

Where Do You Belong?: Damian, Janis, Students

Meet the Plastics: Damian, Janis, Regina, Gretchen, Karen, Cady

Stupid With Love: Cady, Aaron, Students

Apex Predator: Cady, Janis

What's Wrong With Me?: Gretchen

October Third: Aaron, Cady

Sexy: Karen, Students

Someone Gets Hurt: Regina, Aaron, Students

Revenge Party: Janis, Damian, Cady, Students

Fearless: Gretchen, Karen, Cady, Students

- 15 MINUTE INTERMISSION -

Act II

Stop: Damian, Taylor, Caitlyn, Students

What's Wrong? (reprise): Gretchen, Ms. George

Whose House Is This?: Kevin G., Gretchen, Cady, Karen, Students

More Is Better: Cady, Aaron

World Burn: Regina, Students

I'd Rather Be Me: Janis, Students

Do This Thing: Cady, Ms. Norbury, Kevin G., Mathletes, Matheletes Moderator

I See Stars: Cady, Janis, Regina, Gretchen, Karen, Full Cast

Production Team

PRODUCER | Mrs. Lauren Tobiason

DIRECTOR | Mrs. Lauren Lowell

VOCAL DIRECTOR | Mr. Malcolm Washington

CONDUCTOR | Ms. Carolyn Freel

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR | Ms. Grace Quade

CHOREOGRAPHERS | Mrs. Lauren Lowell, Ms. Alex Krebs, and Mrs. Patricia Sullivan

ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR | Mr. Patrick Burns

In consideration of the performers and the audience, cell phone use and flash photography during the performance are prohibited. No food or drink is allowed in the auditorium (water is acceptable).

Please turn off all cell phones prior to the start of the show!

The Cast

CADY HERON

REGINA GEORGE

GRETCHEN WEINERS

KAREN SMITH

AARON SAMUELS

JANIS SARKISIAN

DAMIAN HUBBARD

KEVIN G

MR. DUVALL

MS. NORBURY

MRS. GEORGE

MRS. HERON

MR. HERON

COACH CARR

MATHLETES MODERATOR

Jenna Dodge

Majolie Tall

Shelby McNamee

Shuvai Chivanga

Russell Sunday 

Logan Woodward 

Julia Abernethy 

Jayda Barber 

Nigel Cooper 

John Roberts 

Darsh Bhatt

Rin Goodlin

Zofie Blair 

Katie Reyes 

Izabel Lee Greeley 

Dami Daramola 

Hailee Johnson

Landon Baggett

Noah Wainwright

Mrs. Andrea Dickie

 - Thursday night and Saturday evening

 - Friday night and Saturday matinee

STUDENTS

LIZZIE THERMAN

CAROLINE CRAFT

CAITLYN CAUSSIN

MS. BUCK

RACHEL HAMILTON

TYLER

TAYLOR WEDELL

ALYSSA

SHANE OMAN

SOPHIE K.

JASON W.

GLENN COCCO

Anna Morehead

Ash Carpenter

Brianna Dunn

Gertrude Kuate

Horizon Kelly

Killian Sullivan

Madelyn Berkowitz

Maizy Hurlburt

Michael Steinberg

Saanvi Venumbaka

Sahyir Woods

Silas Heiliger

The Cast

STUDENT ENSEMBLE

Abby Del Favero, Alana Adger, Ariana Wyse, Assetou Tall, Bryan Chinchilla, Dylan Walton, Emma Gallagher, Evangeline Heiliger, Fiona Burke, Giovanni Marton, Gisele Mathew, Jimmy Szewczyk, Kailynn Carroll, Kiersten Sullivan, Kori Phinazee, MacKenzie Somerville, Madelyn Lortz, Melissa Uyeye, Millana Ebbaa, Nia Manuel, Parker McCormick, Savannah de Leeuw, Sophia James, Van Chan

Student Production Team

PRODUCTION MANAGER | Bert Roberts IV

STAGE MANAGER | Amber Proctor

ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGER | Sam Caruso

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR | An Duong

STUDENT CHOREOGRAPHER | Michael Steinberg

LIGHTS HEAD | Eliza Chacon-Cruz

SOUND HEAD | Anika Alston

COSTUME HEAD | Emy Dodge

HAIR/MAKEUP | Izabel Lee Greeley

SHOUT OUTS!

CONGRATULATIONS BERT on your final high school production! You have gone from the light board to stage manager to production manager! Your star shines bright!

CONGRATULATIONS JOHN! We have loved seeing your talents grow!!! You can "bake a cake filled with rainbows and smiles and everyone would eat and be happy!"

Congrats Emy on a fetch job on costumes! We are proud of you!
Love, Mom & Dad

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The Orchestra

Conductor	Carolyn Freel
Flute/Piccolo	Katie Johnson
Flute	Malina Rakestraw
Clarinet/Bass Clarinet	Ashley Bokal
Soprana/Alto Saxophone	Annika Vallurupalli
Tenor/Baritone Saxophone	Brian Berdan
Trumpet	Randy Whittenberger
Trombone	Trent Thomas
Guitar	Chris Sisson
Bass	Jayla Stanilaus
Drumset	Nhadia McDaniel
Keyboard	John Martinson
Keyboard	Max Stoner

The Crew

Sound

Anika Alston*+
Audrey Diep
Hafsa Naseer

Costumes

Emy Dodge*+
Katherine Johnson
Kenzie Narh
Mira Higdon

Set Construction

Jake Butler*+
Anna Sherrell
Auryanna Vergara
Cyrus Quinn
Eislyn Adewale
Giada McDonald
Grant Pisone
John Renfro
Kaz Gardner
Lucy Reninger
Madison Fisher
Nick Del Favero
Sean Smithwick
Sophia West
Willow Biggs
Zoey Chatman

Lights

Eliza Chacon-Cruz*+
Crystal Bawi
Eric Stein
Georgia Fitzgerald
Holden Stuby

Props/Showcase

Klarissa Imhof*+
Aliyah Michel
Luca Tunney

Publicity

Eva Heiliger
Rin Goodlin

* denotes running crew + denotes crew head

Biographies

ABBY DEL FAVERO (Ensemble) is very excited to be a part of her third musical within Hammond. She enjoys the theater community and the friends she has made along the way. She hopes you enjoy the show.

ALANA ADGER (Ensemble) is a freshman who is exhilarated for Hammond's production of *Mean Girls*. This is her first production and she couldn't be happier to get to work with all of these amazing people!

AMBER PROCTOR* (Stage Manager) is happy to be working on her sixth Hammond production, and her third as a Stage Manager! She can't wait to see what her Senior Year with Hammond Theatre will hold!

AN DUONG (Assistant Director) is a senior and a recent transfer student from Vietnam. He has been involved in multiple original productions in his home country, serving in roles ranging from playwright and director to actor and tech crew. *Mean Girls* is his first (and possibly last) production at Hammond and his first-ever musical. Passionate about storytelling, he is excited to explore a new side of theater and grateful for the opportunity to work with such a talented cast and crew.

ANIKA ALSTON (Sound Head) is a senior and is excited and saddened that this will be her final musical with Hammond Theatre. She has truly enjoyed her time spent in the department as she has met new people and gained new interest. She hopes you all enjoy the show and good-luck to the department of the future. I know you'll all do great!!

ANNA MOREHEAD (Lizzy Therman/Ensemble) is excited to participate in her second Hammond High production! She was in the last play, *A Trilogy of Blurred Morality* as Tommy in *The Lottery*! She would like to also thank her parents for picking her up every time she had rehearsal.

ARIANA WYSE (Gangsta/Ensemble) is a freshman acting in her first production at Hammond. She hopes you enjoy the show!

ASH CARPENTER* (Ensemble) is so excited to be working in *Mean Girls*. They previously were in *A Trilogy of Blurred Morality* and had so much fun!

ASSETOU TALL (Debate Team/Ensemble) is a sophomore at Hammond High School that has a passion for music and acting. This is the second production she has been in with Hammond, and hopes to continue spreading joy with the department!

BERT ROBERTS* (Production Manager) is thrilled to be a part of his final Hammond production. He recently stage managed *Guys and Dolls* and *Twelfth Night* at Hammond, ASM'd *Curtains* at S.T.A.R. Ltd, and been a light board operator for Silhouette Stages. He thanks everyone who has supported him at Hammond, especially Mrs. Sibrian, Mrs. Dickie, Mrs. Tobiason, and Mr. Burns. He wants to shout out the production team for being so supportive, kind, and amazing to work with. Bert plans to go to college for electrical engineering, but is immensely grateful for everyone he has met and all he has learned from Hammond Theatre. He hopes you enjoy the show and don't get hit by a bus on the way out!

* indicates membership in ITS Troupe 8183

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BRIANNA DUNN* (Caitlyn Caussin/Ensemble) is in her 6th production with Hammond Theatre and could not possibly be having more fun! She hopes you all enjoy all the hard work the cast and crew has put into this show!

BRYAN CHINCHILLA (Debate Team/Ensemble) is acting in his first play this year and is excited to have worked with everyone on something so big for this school and has enjoyed every minute being involved. Even if his role is small, he hopes he could make a lasting impact on this production.

DAMI DARAMOLA* (Mrs George/Ensemble) is a senior looking forward to her third and final Hammond show. She is excited about getting to play the iconic Mrs. George and hopes all of her background work comes through during the show. She'd like to thank her family for the car rides, the Production Team for their constant support, and her double, Izabel, for being so locked in.

DARSH BHATT (Kevin G) is a sophomore returning for his third production and his first as an actor. He hopes you love his bars!

DYLAN WALTON (Martin/Ensemble) is making his second appearance on stage and is loving his time in theatre.

ELIZA CHACON-CRUZ (Lights Head) has loved being a part of the Theatre Department doing lighting design for the last 2 years. This is her fourth and final theatre production, and she hopes you all enjoy the show!

EMMA GALLAGHER (Ensemble) is excited for her 2nd Musical at Hammond, she has greatly enjoyed the process of putting this musical together and hopes that you enjoy it just as much!

FIONA BURKE (Ensemble) is a dedicated dancer with a love for theatre and performing and hopes you enjoy yourself and the show.

GERTRUDE KUATE (Ensemble) is in 11th grade and she is playing the role of Mrs. Buck. She is really excited to be part of her first Hammond production, *Mean Girls*, but she is not trying to be mean!

GIOVANNI MARTON (Marymount Mathlete Captain/Band Geek/Ensemble) is a freshman. This is his second show and first ever musical with Hammond, and he's so excited to perform! He hopes that everyone is able to enjoy this amazing show, with its amazing actors.

GISELE MATHEW (Dawn Schweitzer/Ensemble) is excited to be in her third and final Hammond High School production. After working in the tech crew for last year's musical, she's returning to the stage as an actor like she was in *Beauty and the Beast* two years ago. Hammond musicals have been an amazing creative outlet for her passion for music and entertainment. Over the past three years, she's built lasting friendships and loved every moment of singing, dancing, and acting with such talented people.

HAILEE JOHNSON (Mrs. Heron/Show Choir/Ensemble) is a senior. She is so excited to be in her first musical production and grateful for the amazing theatre community at Hammond High.

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HORIZON KELLY (Rachael Hamilton/Ensemble) has always wanted to act and now she can! This is her first musical production and she can't wait to show off her skills on stage and make her younger self proud!

IZABEL LEE GREELEY* (Mrs. George/Ensemble) is so incredibly excited to be performing in her third show with Hammond. Theater and choir are her favorite activities and she can't wait to continue theater.

JAYDA BARBER* (Janis/Ensemble) is beyond thrilled to be playing Janis in her third and final Hammond production as a senior. She is incredibly grateful for the support of her theatre family and deeply cherishes the friendships and memories she has built along the way. Though bittersweet, this role has been a dream come true, and she sincerely thanks everyone for being a part of her journey!

JENNA DODGE* (Cady Heron) is a senior in her eighth and final Hammond production, having played roles of all sizes as well as served as Assistant Director for both shows last year. This is her second year as Hammond's International Thespian Society President. She wants to thank everyone involved for their hard work on this show, and is endlessly grateful for the last four years of Hammond theatre memories!

JIMMY SZEWCZYK (Ensemble) is excited to be a part of another musical. He has declined further comment on the "debacle."

JOHN ROBERTS* (Damian/Ensemble) is thrilled to be acting in his fourth production with Hammond Theatre! He would like to thank Bert, the best Production Manager ever to grace Hammond's auditorium, Mrs. Tobiason and Lauren Lowell for their hard work, and his parents for their unwavering support.

JULIA ABERNETHY* (Janis/Ensemble) is excited to be performing onstage for the first time as her dream role, Janis. This is her fourth performance at Hammond, but her first show as an actor. She hopes you enjoy the show as much as she does!

KAILYNN CARROLL (Ensemble) is unexplainably thrilled and grateful to have worked on her first show with Hammond High School. She's always loved the world of musical theatre and just had to push herself to take the last steps to complete her dreams.

KATIE REYES (Mrs. Norbury/Ensemble) is so excited to perform this show with her lovely cast members and production team! She is beyond thankful for everyone who helped her come out of her shell in the past few years, and will be looking forward to seeing her underclassmen perform in the future. She hopes you have a wonderful time watching the show! Much love! <3

KIERSTEN SULLIVAN (Debate Team/Ensemble) is very excited to perform in this year's musical. This is her first musical at Hammond High school. She is thrilled to have made amazing memories during the production and cannot wait to perform in front of others.

KILLIAN SULLIVAN* (Tyler/Ensemble) is thrilled to perform in his third Musical for Hammond High school!

KORI PHINAZEE (Ensemble) is a sophomore. This is her second musical production at Hammond High which she is grateful to be a part of.

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LANDON BAGGETT* (Mr. Heron/Ensemble) is so happy that audiences will see the hard work and talent of him and his peers! He loves the music and visual style of *Mean Girls* and is hyped to be a mathlete!

LOGAN WOODWARD (Aaron/Ensemble) is doing his fourth production with Hammond, and since it is his second time acting, he is very excited to perform with his friends and enjoys the community that is the theatre department.

MACKENZIE SOMERVILLE* (Ensemble) is so happy to be in another Hammond production! This is her fourth so far and she's so excited to see how it all comes together! She can't wait to see what comes next!

MADELEINE LORTZ (Ensemble) is so excited to be involved in theatre again, and hopes everyone enjoys the show! <3

MADELYN BERKOWITZ (Taylor Wedell/Ensemble) is a junior performing in her fourth Hammond production! On and off stage, *Mean Girls* has truly been the most fun show she's done so far. Thank you also to Ms. Lauren for being an amazing director and person!

MAIZY HURLBURT (Ensemble) is very excited to be participating in her first musical at Hammond High School as a freshman. She is super happy to be involved in this program and meet all these amazing faces!!

MAJOLIE TALL* (Regina George) has loved *Mean Girls* since she was a kid. She is excited about portraying Regina George and hopes you'll love the character! Majolie has participated in many previous Hammond productions, such as *Beauty and the Beast* and *Twelfth Night*. She hopes you enjoy the show, along with her and her peers!

MELISSA UYEYE (Debate Team/Ensemble) is a freshman at Hammond. This is her first Hammond Theatre production. She is happy to be a part of such a wonderful community and a performer for the show.

MICHAEL STEINBERG* (Shane Oman/Ensemble/Student Choreographer) is excited to be performing in his sixth Hammond production. He's enjoyed getting to choreograph on this larger cast and looks forward to performing with this amazing cast and crew.

MILLANA EBBAA (Ensemble) is a recurring actor for Hammond's musicals. She has been in *Guys and Dolls*, and now is in *Mean Girls* as well. Millana is grateful to be a part of this Hammond Musical production, and can't wait to be here again.

MRS. ANDREA DICKIE (Mathletes Moderator) teaches Calculus at Hammond and couldn't pass up an opportunity to be on stage during a song about Math! She loves the Hammond Theatre Department and is grateful to Lauren, Lauren, and Bert for including her in this fun production. Please return to Hammond's auditorium on March 20th at 6:30 for the 4th annual Laughing Matters improv fundraiser benefiting the Cancer Support Community.

NIA MANUEL (Ensemble) is a freshman and is excited to be performing in her first production ever. She'd like to thank her family and friends for supporting her.

NIGEL COOPER (Damian/Ensemble) is a junior at Hammond. While he's worked with theatre multiple times before, this is his first ever musical production as an actor! He's worked to overcome his personal stage fright, as well as help with others.

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NOAH WAINWRIGHT (Coach Carr/Ensemble) is very excited to work in this production of *Mean Girls*. This is his sixth production, and fourth here at Hammond. He couldn't be prouder to work with such an amazing cast.

PARKER MCCORMICK (Ensemble) is very excited about the musical because it's his first time doing a musical. He's a bit nervous but he will persevere. He also likes to hit little jigs randomly; he has nothing else to state, good day!

RIN GOODLIN* (Mr. Duvall) was previously in *The Lottery* as Mr. Hutchison, *Guys and Dolls* as Big Jule, *Twelfth Night* as Antonio and various other Hammond theatre productions. He is thrilled to have *Mean Girls* be his final Hammond show and is incredibly grateful for the last 4 years and all that it has taught him. Please enjoy the show!

RUSSELL SUNDAY (Aaron Samuels/Ensemble) is a freshman in his very first production with Hammond High school! Having been in over a dozen productions with Young Artists of America, is ready to expand his theatrical experience with Hammond.

SAANVI VENUMBAKA (Sophie K/Ensemble) is very excited to be a part of her first musical as a 9th grader! She loves all of the amazing hard-working cast and hopes everyone will love the musical just as much as she does.

SAHYR WOODS (Ensemble) is a junior participating in his first musical. He's been enjoying it and will cherish these memories forever.

SAM CARUSO* (Assistant Stage Manager) is excited to be backstage again for the first time in four years. He would like to thank his parents for the support and his fellow production team members for teaching him a lot.

SAVANNAH DE LEEUW (Ensemble) is a freshman who is excited to be in her first Hammond musical.

SHELBY MCNAMEE (Gretchen) is a senior who is thrilled to be participating in her fourth and final Hammond production. She has enjoyed working closely with her talented cast members. She would like to thank her family and friends who came to support her. She hopes you find the show, fetch, xoxo!

SHUVAI CHIVANGA (Karen) is SO excited to share this awesome production with the community! She has grown and connected with the cast and crew so much over the last few months, and hopes the show will bring as much joy as they do <3

SILAS HEILIGER* (Glenn Cocco/Ensemble) is in 10th grade and this is their second year doing theater. Silas can't wait for everyone to see this show!

SOPHIA JAMES (Ensemble) is excited to be doing theater for the first time in school! She is happy to have made new friends and learned new things. She hopes that this year will be the start of a memorable high school experience!

VAN CHAN (Ensemble) is astonishingly exuberant to be acting in his first production at Hammond High! He hopes the show is really super duper great and fun!!!

ZOFIE BLAIR* (Mrs. Norbury/Ensemble) is thrilled to be in their fifth production with Hammond Theatre. Having been in *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Twelfth Night*, and *Guys and Dolls* they are ready to expand their skills and put on a great show!



ROBERTS ARCHITECTS

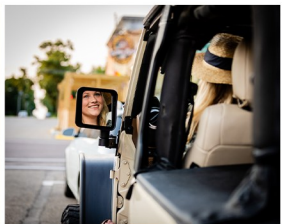
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Love,
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We are so excited to see you in your first musical, Mean Girls! We loved seeing you in Twelfth Night and Guys and Dolls. You always keep us on our toes and make us proud! You will be a great Aaron!

Love Riley, Madison, Sydney, Mom & Dad



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Julia,
We are so proud of you for stepping from behind the scenes to being on stage. You took a chance on yourself and it paid off. We are excited that others will be able to see what we've always known-that you are a star. We can't wait to see you shine as Janis.

Love,
Mom, Dad, & Megan



Majolie, this photo embodies everything that you are-beautiful, confident, and a STAR!! We love you completely and we wish you the absolute best on your exciting journey that is about to begin!

Love,
Momma, Tou, Grandma and Uncle B



Acknowledgments

We are grateful to the administrative and custodial teams for their essential support. We would also like to thank:

- Ms. Goldberg, Mrs. Dodge, and Mrs. Somerville for volunteer coordination
- Mr. Caruso, Mr. Marton, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Burke, Jenn Marker and Shannon Nabors for set building & painting
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- Kerry McWithey for loaning dance costumes and use of the dance studio
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- STAR LTD. for loaning costume and prop items: starltd.org
- Dan Goodrich for lighting supervision
- The performing arts department at Hammond for their support and flexibility



We are so proud of you Shuvai! Keep being a great role model to your siblings! Love, Mom, Dad and the rest of the family!

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