



Welcome to the 2009 Teen Auditions for *Disney's High School Musical*

We're very glad you are attending auditions for this summer's production of *HSM*. Please read over all of this material carefully before you audition. It will answer most of your questions about performing here at the Playhouse,

as well as providing information about performances and rehearsals.

General Background Information

Although the Forestburgh Playhouse uses union actors in leading roles, and its own resident actors for most supporting and ensemble roles, the Playhouse still often uses local non-union actors in our productions. Since local actors are usually students or adults who enjoy participating in the theatre as an avocation, they are not paid other than having the experience of working with professionals and learning how the professional theatre operates.

Rehearsal and Performance

If you are cast in a show, you *must* be able to attend most rehearsals and all performances. Rehearsals will be held during non-school hours during the week of May 25-31, and for 3 hours each week in June. The final dress rehearsal will be held Wednesday, July 1 from 10 AM – 12 noon. A complete rehearsal schedule will be released next week.

Performances will be presented twice a week, on Thursdays and Saturdays at 11 AM for seven weeks, starting July 2nd and ending August 15th. On performance days you will need to be at the Playhouse from 10:30 AM through 12:30 PM.

A pair of complimentary tickets good for any performance will be given to each performer. Reservations for the complimentary tickets can be made at the Box Office once rehearsal begins.

We Take You Seriously – Please Take Us Seriously

If you audition, we assume that you have read this material, and you are available to be cast and will accept a role if offered one. The roles you are auditioning for will be in the ensemble; principal roles, such as Troy, Gabriella, Sharpay, etc will be played by professionals. If you have any additional questions, ask at the front desk at the time of the audition. And if after reading this information, you decide you can't make the commitment, please do not audition.

If You Are Cast

The casting process may take some time. We will *try* to make calls within the next week to offer roles. You don't need to call us – we will be in touch with you if we have a role for you.

Finally...

Thank you for your interest in the theatre and the Forestburgh Playhouse. Good luck, and we hope to see you on stage at the Forestburgh Playhouse.

Sincerely,

Norman Duttweiler
Producer