

Clinton Central Schools

MUSIC PROGRAM



NEWSLETTER

High School Musical

Clinton High School will present the musical MAMMA MIA! on March 9, 10, and 11, 2023. ABBA's hits tell the hilarious story of a young woman's search for her birth father. This sunny and funny tale unfolds on a Greek island paradise.



On the eve of her wedding, a daughter's quest to discover the identity of her father brings three men from her mother's past back to the island they last visited 20 years ago. A mother. A daughter. Three possible dads. And a trip down the aisle you'll never forget!

All shows begin at 7:30pm. Doors open at 6:45pm, and Box office ticket sales begin in person at 5pm every night.

There will be public pre-sale tickets available one day only in person. 7am-3pm, and then again before the show at 5pm on March 9th. Contact the Box Office at (315) 557-2345.

VIRTUAL CONCESSION STAND (Including flowers!)

Be sure to visit our virtual concession stand to support your cast/crew member and the CMP at the same time!

Pre-orders are due by March 7.

<https://mammamiavirtualconcession.cheddarup.com>

**MARCH 9, 10, 11
@ 7:30 pm**



MAMMA MIA!

MARCH 17 & 18



**Junior High
All County Music
Festival at Clinton**

**MARCH 31 &
April 1**



**Elementary
All County Music
Festival at Rome**

All County/All State

Based on teacher recommendations, auditions, and last year's NYSSMA solo evaluations, students were selected to take part in ensembles made up of the very best musicians in our area. Each festival weekend consists of rehearsals with guest conductors culminating in a concert to celebrate our students' success. Congratulations to all of the students who will be participating!

Students going to Junior High All County March 17-18 at CCS:

ORCHESTRA

Violin 1: Brindalin Filippo (7th)
Eliana Bentley (8th)
Jude Leising (8th)

Violin 2: Lydia Lee (7th)
Scarlett-Skye Stanton (7th)
Gavin Kapes-Vanslyke (9th)

Viola: Ella Kelly (8th)
Madelyn Gray (9th)

Cello: Mac Spadea (8th)
Alexandra Allen (7th)
Lydia Dreier (7th)

Bass: Jax Simons (7th)
Dominic Jackson (7th)

BAND

Flute: Brian Chang (9th)
Oboe: Emily Roy (8th)
Alto Sax: Claire Morford (9th)

Tenor Sax: Rowan Dawes (9th)
Trumpet: Daniel Gus (7th)

Grayson Bastian (8th)
Trombone: Ethan LaBuz (8th)
Jack Wratten (9th)
Ryan Squires (9th)

Baritone: Ben Morford (7th)
Percussion: Carter Speicher (7th)

CHORUS

Aubrianna Ballard (9th)
Nikolina Gleboff (9th)
Phoenix Townsend (9th)
Chloe DeNoon (9th)
Kera Kittleman (9th)
Alexis Chan (8th)
Nicholas Venero (7th)
Lizzie Moore (7th)
Andrew Bashant (8th)

Cooper Rorick (7th)
Hugh Brady (7th)
Claire MacPherson (8th)

Students going to Elementary All-County March 31- April 1 in Rome:

ORCHESTRA (6th)

Violin 1: Aliyah Bentley (6th)
Yumeng Shi (6th)
Violin 2: Claire Chase (6th)
Viola: Molly Spadea (6th)
Bass: Gwen Westmorland (6th)
Alternates: Sierra Townsend (6th)
Caidence Boston (6th)
Louis Filippo (6th)

BAND

Flute: Angelo Gaetano (5th)
James Shelly (5th)
Trumpet: Logan Otto (5th)
Clarinet: Lauren Gus (5th)

CHORUS

Jesse Amuso (6th)
Caidence Boston (6th)
Claudia Hepler (6th)
Sierra Townsend (6th)
Braydon Atkinson (5th)
Beatrice Kelly (5th)
Hadley Jillings (5th)
Claire Banghardt (5th)

Students that attended Area-All State December 2-3 in Little Falls:

ORCHESTRA

Violin 2: Chloe Filippo (11th)
Viola: John Musante (10th)
Cello: Hannah Williams (9th)



Fiona Vogel (11th)
Bass: Delia Memmer (11th)
James Klein (12th)

BAND

Flute: Isla McCullough (12th)
Trumpet: Alena Wratten (11th)
Percussion: Ollie Walters (12th)



CHORUS

Alison Wratten (12th)
Olivia Cofano (11th)
Alex Abraham (11th)
Eli Davis (10th)
Gideon Dreier (10th)
Gracen Grimm (10th)
Clara Kelly (10th)
Elizabeth Bashant (10th)



Honor Bands

Elementary: Central Winds sponsored Allegro Honor Band in Liverpool in November.

James Shelly - Flute
Ava Carney - Clarinet
Claire Banghardt - Clarinet
Lauren Gus - Clarinet
Logan Otto - Trumpet
Quentin Brady - Baritone
Teddy Wileczka - Baritone



Middle School/High School:
A number of MS and HS band

students participated in the Greater Utica Area Honor Bands Concert on Saturday, January 21 hosted at Westmoreland High School. These outstanding students were accepted by nomination and rehearsed three Saturdays in January in preparation for the performance.

The Honors Middle School Concert Band:

Emily Abraham
Grayson Bastian
Night DeMarche
Delilah Forbes
Veronica Gianonne
Daniel Gus
Everett Heintz (not pictured)

Ben Morford
Avery Otto
Devyn Roy
Emily Roy
Jack Wilson (not pictured)

The Honors Youth Wind Ensemble:

Gracen Grimm
Gretchen Grimm
Mia Le
Elise Pape
Eva Stone
Ryan Squires
Jack Wratten



Winter Concerts, 2022

CCS Elementary, Middle and High School band, orchestra and chorus students performed beautifully in their winter concerts. Elementary School students performed in the theater on December 1, Middle School students on December 8, and High School students on December 15.



Holiday Special Events

The chamber singers, jazz band, and chamber orchestra performed at Preswick Glen and the New Hartford Square Senior Apartments on December 21 to spread holiday cheer to local seniors.



Tri-M Music Honor Society:

Members of the Tri-M Music Honor Society held a canned food drive for the Country Pantry in December. The response was overwhelming! We are so grateful to our students for organizing this project, and to our community for being incredibly supportive.



Chamber Orchestra's performance at the mall food court at Christmas time

Clinton High School Chamber Singers:

Members of the Clinton High School Chamber Singers (Select Choir) volunteered their time this winter to sing for several events:

- The Veteran's Day Ceremony at the Helmuth Ingalls Post 232 (Pictured above)
- The Shopper's Stroll in the Clinton Village
- The DAR wreath-laying ceremony at the old burying ground
- Brookdale in Clinton

We are thankful that these students are willing to volunteer their time for important patriotic events and spread cheer among the community, especially those who don't have the opportunity to get out.

2023 NYSSMA Information

The NYSSMA festival will be held at Central Valley High School on May 12 and 13. Please click [HERE](#) for general information including links for registration and payment.

Summer Music Scholarships Information

Clinton Music Parents is pleased to invite applications from CCS students currently in grades 5-11 for summer 2023 music scholarships.

Summer music scholarships provide opportunities for students to explore their musical aspirations and develop their musical skills. Over the course of the past several years, Clinton Music Parents has helped more than 60 students offset the cost of summer music study thanks to money generated from our membership fees and annual fundraising events.

All scholarship applicants must complete this [form](#) by May 11, 2023.

Memorial Day Parade

Band students in grades 7-12 will be participating at the Memorial Day Parade in Clinton on May 29th. A rehearsal schedule will be posted in April. If your student is interested in joining, please have them speak to Mr. Lavender.

For more information about becoming involved with the Clinton Music Parents please contact: musicparents@ccs.edu

EXCITING UPCOMING DATES

March 9, 10, 11, 7:30 PM - High School Musical, *MAMMA MIA!*

March 17-18 Junior High All County Festival at Clinton

March 22 - Ball in the House at CCS-more info to come!

March 31-April 1 - Elementary All County Music Festival in Rome

May 12-13 - NYSSMA festival at CVA

May 17, 7:00 PM - Elementary Spring Concert

May 11 - Summer Music Scholarship application deadline

May 24, 7:00 PM - High School Spring Concert

May 29 - Memorial Day Parade marching band

June 8, 7:00 PM - Middle School Spring Concert

June TBD - Nola's Chicken Riggies Fundraiser

Musical Senior Surveys

We asked the Seniors in MAMMA MIA! to take a walk down memory lane and look back on their experiences in musicals (and a few other things) during their time at Clinton High School.



*R1: Rosalee Dillon,
Margaret Mawilong,
Isla McCullough,
Allie Barone, Ella Fay*

*R2: Alicia Amuso,
Ali Wratten, Callie Kozak,
Brianna Howe, Salyscia Pristera,
Aubrey Schreppel, Haily Keiser*

*R3: Carson Hebbard,
Jacob Eschenbach,
Matt Geigel, James Klein,
Ollie Walters, Izzy Marcus,
Landon Stilz, Jack DeNoon*

(Nick Heselton not pictured.)

Ella Fay

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Ensemble:* Suessical the Musical, High School Musical, Addams Family, Mamma Mia | *Stage Crew:* Godspell

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? The friendships. You become very close with a lot of amazing people you may not have talked to outside of the show.

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? The music. Mamma Mia is all music by the band ABBA. ABBA makes amazing music and I think it's all very fun songs that the audience will love.

Hailey Keiser

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Ensemble:* Fiddler on the Roof, High School Musical, Godspell, Addams Family, Bugsy Malone (Jillie)

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? Kicking my shoe off in Bugsy Malone and almost hitting Tallulah during the elementary previews.

Do you have a favorite genre of music? Indie Pop Rock

Carson Hebbard

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Ensemble:* Fiddler on the Roof |
Stage Crew: Mamma Mia, High School Musical, Buggy Malone

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? When the lights came on early so I had to hide behind a set of lockers during a scene so the crowd didn't see me.

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? Making memories with the stage crew.

Jacob Eschenbach

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Sound Crew:* Buggy Malone | *Stage Crew:* High School Musical, Godspell, Mamma Mia, Addams Family

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? The music is great and I enjoy the story.

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? I'm going to miss the experience and fun of being on crew.

Landon Stiltz

What roles have you had in school musicals? Knight 2 in Shrek Jr., Perchik in Fiddler of the Roof, Buggy Malone in Buggy Malone, Jr., JoJO in Seussical the Musical, Wadsworth in Clue, Chad Daneforth in High School Musical, Lucas Beineke in the Addams Family, Sam in Mamma Mia | *Ensemble:* Godspell

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? Making the "game-winning" shot during the Saturday showing of High School Musical. I wasn't supposed to be the one shooting it, but the lights were coming up so I took the jumpshot and absolutely drained it.

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? The music for the show. The music is super upbeat and fun.

Allison Wratten

What roles have you had in school musicals? Ensemble in all the shows, Blousey in Buggy Malone Jr., Donna in Mamma Mia

Do you have a favorite genre of music? Classic rock/rock

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? I love the music. Besides being an Abba fan, the music is just so upbeat, good. I also love being able to spend time with others that share the same interest/love for dancing, singing, acting, and everything else that comes with musical theater.

Matthew Geigel

What roles have you had in school musicals? Troy in High School Musical and Pepper in Mamma Mia, *Ensemble*: Addams Family

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? The dance numbers

Do you have a favorite genre of music? Alternative Pop, Dark Pop EDM

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? The song and dancing for "Does Your Mother Know"

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? I will miss the energy and thrill of performing in the CCS theater.

Ollie Walters

What roles have you had in school musicals? Guard #3 in Shrek, Jr., The Constable in Fiddler on the Roof Jr, Bronx Charlie in Bugsy Malone Jr, Wickersham Brother #3 in Seussical the Musical, Coach Bolton in High School Musical, Lamar in Godspell, Gomez in the Addams Family

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? Learning from and forming bonds with my cast mates who I normally wouldn't talk to.

Do you have a favorite genre of music? Musicals

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? Being a part of a show that I grew up listening to and watching.

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? Working on the musical 24/7 during the week leading up to the show.

James Klein

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Ensemble*: Shrek, Jr. (Knight #4), Fiddler on the Roof Jr, (Lazar Wolf), Bugsy Malone Jr. (Dandy Dan), Godspell, High School Musical, The Addams Family (Uncle Fester), Mamma Mia (Bill)

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? I love ABBA's music so much! The songs are so catchy and fun to dance to, especially with Patrick's choreography.

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? I will miss joking with all of my friends and the feeling of performing on stage.

Aubrey Schreppel

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Ensemble:* Shrek Jr., (Bird), Fiddler on the Roof (Bottle Dancer); Bugsy Malone, Jr. (Tallulah girl), High School Musical (Cheerleader), Addams Family (Skeleton), Mamma Mia

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? Stage crew and learning the Tallulah girl dance during Bugsy Malone.

Do you have a favorite genre of music? I don't have a favorite genre, I will listen to anything playing.

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? Learning the partner dances and choreography

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? All of the joking around and fun we have at rehearsals.

Jack DeNoon

What roles have you had in school musicals? Sound crew, stage crew, lights crew

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? The final show and the after-performance party. It's nice to unwind and have fun after our final show.

Do you have a favorite genre of music? Not really, I like a lot of different ones.

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? How many different characters there are.

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? Probably the long rehearsals on Sundays. Even though they take a while it's a lot of fun to run the show.

Allie Barone

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Ensemble:* Mamma Mia (Lisa), Addams Family, Godspell, High School Musical (Ripper) | *Crew:* Bugsy Malone, Jr.

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? One of our friends bought a sign from Five Below that said, "Fart zone" and put it on the girls dressing room.

Do you have a favorite genre of music? Not particularly. I just listen to one or two songs at a time until I get sick of them.

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? I love the choreography! It's very fun to learn/perform and I'm particularly excited for "Voulez Vous".

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? I'll miss going to rehearsals after school and hanging out with my musical friends.

Brianna Howe

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Ensemble:* Shrek Jr., Fiddler on the Roof, Jr, Busby Malone, Jr, High School Musical, Addams Family, and Mamma Mia

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? My favorite thing about being a part of the musicals is that it gets you to talk to people you probably wouldn't have before.

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? I will miss the dancing and taking pictures with my friends in costume. I will also miss the secret gift exchanges we do the week of the show.

Margaret Mawilong

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Ensemble:* Mamma Mia, High School Musical | *Crew:* The Addams Family

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? My favorite memory is during my first years of high school, when I tried out for High School Musical; being a part of the musical, making new friends, and learning more english.

Do you have a favorite genre of music? I like every kind of music.

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? My favorite part about Mamma Mia is the music because when I was young my older siblings were watching the movie and I remember this part of the movie; it is so amazing!

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? I will miss my friends and Mrs. Wratten. I will miss not being in the next show because I am not in school any more.

Rosalee Dillon

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Ensemble:* Shrek, Jr., Fiddler on the Roof, Buggy Malone, High School Musical, Addams Family, Mamma Mia | *Crew:* Alice in Wonderland, Annie, Matilda, and the Drama Club performances

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? When I got to be dragged off stage as a dead body in Clue, freshman year.

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? The pre-musical cast parties where we all get to sing songs from previous musicals and get into costume.

Isla McCullough

What roles have you had in school musicals? Sound crew every year since 7th grade

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? My favorite thing is learning about all the sound equipment that makes the show go smoothly (or not).

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? I'll miss getting to be in the middle of the action in March and watching the show from the best seats in the sound booth.

Salyscia Pristera

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Ensemble:* Mamma Mia

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? Partner dances

Do you have a favorite genre of music? Country

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? Getting close with everyone and building new bonds.

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? Being surrounded by the same people and getting close with new ones.

Izzy Marcus

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Sound Crew:* Fiddler on the Roof, Bugsy Malone Jr., High School Musical, Addams Family. *Stage | Crew:* High School Musical | *Stage Manager:* Godspell | *Ensemble:* Mamma Mia (Eddie)

What is your favorite memory/thing about being a part of the musicals? Discovering so much about theater production and terminology behind the scenes

What is your favorite part about Mamma Mia? My favorite part is being able to see the other side of the musical (as a cast member) having done crew up until this point.

Callie Kozak

What roles have you had in school musicals? *Ensemble:* Shrek Jr., Fiddler on the Roof, Jr, Busby Malone, Jr, High School Musical, Mamma Mia

Do you have a favorite genre of music? Soft Pop

What will you miss most about not being in the musical next year? I think what I will miss the most about being in the musical next year is spending time dancing with my friends.