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Get the Scoop on Vestal High School's musical, "Newsies!"

Seize the day as Vestal High School student actors bring the plucky tale of the 1899 Newsboys Strike to life with Disney's "Newsies," February 28 – March 3, 2019. Presented by special arrangement with Music Theatre International,* four uplifting performances are scheduled for 7 p.m. on February 28, March 1 and 2, with a matinee performance at 1 p.m. on Sunday, March 3.

Director Austin Kiley along with Assistant Director Laura Preston leads a cast of over 60 student performers and two-dozen crew. Conducting the orchestra is Maureen Kiley, Quinn Singer is choreographer and Josh Sedelmeyer is fight director.

A talented cast tells the historical story of the 1899 Newsboys' Strike in New York City. Senior Robert Fischer is Newsie "Jack Kelly," while the role of ambitious reporter "Katherine Plumber" is shared by Abigail Sprague and Tomiko Nicholson. Other key roles are played by Collin Pickett as "Davey," Josh Sifert as "Crutchie," Joseph Lamoureux as "Joseph Pulitzer," Hannah Goldberg as "Les," Patrick Kerley as "Race" and Bella Pirnie and Jenna Vandervort alternating the role of "Medda Larkin."

Tickets go on sale Friday, February 1, and are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and senior citizens. For box office reservations,** visit the Vestal Central School District website. Look for the news article for "Newsies" on the District's Home page or the Vestal High School web page. It will contain a link to the online reservation form. Ticket orders can also be placed by emailing gtharris@vestal.k12.ny.us or calling 607-757-3443. In either message, please indicate your name, the performance you would like to attend and the number of tickets you will need. Reserved tickets can be picked up at the "will call" table after payment is received.** Tickets will also be available for purchase at the door one hour before each scheduled performance.

*Vestal High School is pleased to present "Disney's Newsies" by special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.MTIShows.com

**Ticket orders are not finalized until payment is received. The online reservation form will indicate where to send payment, and that checks should be made out to "Vestal Central School District."

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NOTE TO MEDIA: If you would like to "preview" this musical for the public, you are welcome to come by during dress rehearsals on February 20 - 21, which are 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. in the Vestal High School Auditorium.

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