



**NOMINATIONS FOR THE
2022 BLUMENTHAL PERFORMING ARTS
HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL THEATER AWARDS**

PRESENTED BY WELLS FARGO

Best Student Orchestra

Ardrey Kell High School - *Matilda the Musical*
Central Academy of Technology and Arts – *Heathers the Musical: Teen Edition*
Mooresville High School - *Sister Act*
Providence High School - *Mamma Mia!*
South Mecklenburg High School - *Damn Yankees*
West Cabarrus High School - *Little Shop of Horrors*

Best Student Critic

Central Academy of Technology & Arts - Brody Martin
East Mecklenburg High School - Maeve Merrick
Northwest School of the Arts - Isabella Meltzer

Best Choreography Execution

Central Academy of Technology and Arts - *Heathers the Musical: Teen Edition*
Charlotte Country Day School – *Anastasia*
Concord Academy – *Newsies*
Lincolnton High School - *The Addams Family*
Nation Ford High School – *Chicago: Teen Edition*
Piedmont Community Charter School - *Beauty and the Beast*

Best Ensemble/Chorus

Central Academy of Technology and Arts - *Heathers the Musical: Teen Edition*
Charlotte Country Day School – *Anastasia*
Concord Academy – *Newsies*
Lincolnton High School - *The Addams Family*
Northwestern High School - *Footloose*
Piedmont Community Charter School - *Beauty and the Beast*

Best Overall Direction

Central Academy of Technology and Arts - *Heathers the Musical: Teen Edition*
Charlotte Country Day School – *Anastasia*
Concord Academy – *Newsies*
North Lincoln High School - *Into the Woods*
Northwestern High School - *Footloose*
Providence Day School - *Xanadu*

Best Featured Performer

Ardrey Kell High School – Katie Johnsen as Mrs. Phelps - *Matilda the Musical*
Charlotte Latin School – Dominic Charles as Daryl - *Bright Star*
Concord Academy – Lola Ugale as Buttons - *Newsies*
Gaston Day School – Amry Rivera as Henry - *Newsies*
North Lincoln High School – Landon Kelly as Milky White - *Into the Woods*
Northwestern High School - Rylee McCart as Betty Blast - *Footloose*

Best Supporting Actor

Ardrey Kell High School – Christian Johnson as The Escapologist - *Matilda the Musical*
Concord Academy – Eli Fischer as Crutchie - *Newsies*
Lake Norman High School – Sawyer Hosea as Bill - *Mamma Mia!*
Lincolnton High School – Kevin Solera as Gomez - *The Addams Family*
North Lincoln High School – Bryson Emehel as Rapunzel’s Prince - *Into the Woods*
Providence Day School – Max Odom as Danny - *Xanadu*

Best Supporting Actress

Central Academy of Technology and Arts - Rachel St. Gelais as Heather Chandler - *Heathers the Musical: Teen Edition*
Charlotte Country Day School - Grace Tingen as Countess Lilly – *Anastasia*
North Lincoln High School - Jillian Joyce as The Baker's Wife - *Into the Woods*
Northwestern High School - Hannah Tyler as Rusty - *Footloose*
Gaston Christian School – Allie Guy as Gulch/Wicked Witch- *The Wizard of Oz (RSC 1987)*
Piedmont Community Charter School - McKenna Lawler as Grande Bouche - *Beauty and the Beast*

Wells Fargo Best Musical – Tier 1

Concord Academy - *Newsies*
North Lincoln High School – *Into the Woods*
Northwestern High School – *Footloose*

Wells Fargo Best Musical – Tier 2

Central Academy of Technology and Arts - *Heathers the Musical: Teen Edition*
Charlotte Country Day School – *Anastasia*
Providence Day School – *Xanadu*

Best Student Stage Manager, Best Student Set Designer, Best Student Costume Designer

The nominees for each of these categories will be announced the week of May 9, 2022.

Finalists for Best Actor

The students listed below are the finalists in the categories of Best Actor. The Top 6 nominees for this category will be announced the week of May 9, 2022.

Ardrey Kell High School – Dean Neelsen as Miss Trunchbull - *Matilda the Musical*
Bandys High School – Gabriel Beech as Jimmy Rae Dobbs - *Bright Star*
Butler High School – Grant Bergeman as Frank Abagnale, Jr. - *Catch Me If You Can*
Carmel Christian School – Dylan Wilson as Don Lockwood - *Singin' in the Rain*
Central Academy of Technology and Arts – Omari Cupid as JD - *Heathers the Musical: Teen Edition*
Central Cabarrus High School – Isaac Flores as Warbucks - *Annie*
Charlotte Country Day School – Lance Toppin as Vlad - *Anastasia*
Charlotte Latin School – Adam Stone as Billy Cane - *Bright Star*
Concord Academy – Kenan Starnes as Jack Kelly - *Newsies*
Corvian Community School – William Worth as The Baker - *Into the Woods*
Covenant Day School – Brooks Stevenson as Fred Graham - *Kiss Me, Kate*
Cox Mill High School – Jonathan Leadingham as Mr. Wormwood - *Matilda the Musical*
Cuthbertson High School – Lucas Mechelli as Prince Dauntless - *Once Upon a Mattress*
Davidson Day School – Taylor Shiley as Sam Carmiuchael - *Mamma Mia!*
East Lincoln High School – Arturo Galarza Chavez as Beast - *Beauty and the Beast*
Gaston Christian School – Caden Sprinkles as Scarecrow - *The Wizard of Oz*
Gaston Day School – Tonita Abello as Crutchie - *Newsies*
Hickory Ridge High – Ryan Faucette as King Arthor - *Monty Python's Spamalot*
Hopewell High School – Charles Rapp as Link Larkin - *Hairspray*
Kings Mountain High School – Seabron Echols as Franklin Hart, Jr. - *9 to 5: The Musical*
Lake Norman High School – Dylan Gordon as Sky - *Mamma Mia!*
Lincolnton High School – Jadon Rhyne as Fester - *The Addams Family*
Mooresville High School – Jaiden Noblezada as Eddie Souther - *Sister Act*
Myers Park High School – Sam Wofford as Sam Carmichael - *Mamma Mia!*
Nation Ford High School – Ryan Ellis as Billy Flynn - *Chicago: Teen Edition*
North Gaston High School – Cody Meares as Adam - *Freaky Friday*
North Lincoln High School – Jared Garcia as The Baker - *Into the Woods*
Northwest Cabarrus High School – Noah Haberacker as William Barfee - *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*
Northwest School of the Arts – Jason Porter as Eddie - *Sister Act*
Northwestern High School – Christopher Gravley as Ren McCormack - *Footloose*
Piedmont Community Charter School – Daniel Esquivel as Gaston - *Beauty and the Beast*
Pine Lake Preparatory – JT Sutek as The Baker - *Into the Woods*
Providence Day School – Carson Taylor as Sonny Malone - *Xanadu*
Shelby High School – Will Hoard as Lucas - *The Addams Family*
South Mecklenburg High School – Cavan Meade as Joe Hardy - *Damn Yankees*
South Pointe High School – Adrian Hall as Billy Flynn - *Chicago: Teen Edition*
Weddington High School – Spencer Moore as Harold Hill - *The Music Man*
West Cabarrus High School – Gustavo Meza as Seymour - *Little Shop of Horrors*
Westminster Catawba Christian School – Rohahn Petiote as Troy - *High School Musical*
William A. Hough High School – Chris Brammer as Troy - *High School Musical*

Finalists for Best Actress

The students listed below are the finalists in the categories of Best Actress. The Top 6 nominees for this category will be announced the week of May 9, 2022.

Ardrey Kell High School – Rachel Rudolph as Miss Honey - *Matilda the Musical*
Bandys High School – Chloe Sawyer as Margo - *Bright Star*
Butler High School – Sydney Milligan as Brenda Strong - *Catch Me If You Can*
Carmel Christian School – Darien Pisacano as Lina Lamont - *Singin' in the Rain*
Central Academy of Technology and Arts – Lana Patel as Heather McNamara - *Heathers the Musical: Teen Edition*
Central Cabarrus High School – Ryn Johnson as Hannigan- *Annie*
Charlotte Country Day School – Sophie Davis as Anya/Teenage Anya - *Anastasia*
Charlotte Latin School – Kate McCracken as Alice Murphy - *Bright Star*
Concord Academy – Grace McTigue as Katherine - *Newsies*
Corvian Community School – Sofia Chambon as Cinderella - *Into the Woods*
Covenant Day School – Charlotte Kornegay as Lois Lane - *Kiss Me, Kate*
Cox Mill High School – Rebecca Aylward as Miss Honey- *Matilda the Musical*
Cuthbertson High School – Francesca Corona as Princess Winnifred - *Once Upon a Mattress*
Davidson Day School – Kathleen Moore as Donna Sheridan - *Mamma Mia!*
East Lincoln High School – Rachel Ochoa as Mrs. Potts - *Beauty and the Beast*
Gaston Christian School – Natalie Sparks as Dorothy - *The Wizard of Oz*
Gaston Day School – Gabriela Salas as Medda - *Newsies*
Hickory Ridge High – Laura Fulford as Sir Robin - *Monty Python's Spamalot*
Hopewell High School – Lindsey Bernier as Velma Von Tussle - *Hairspray*
Kings Mountain High School – Railey Bolt as Roz Keith - *9 to 5: The Musical*
Lake Norman High School – Madeline Macry as Rosie - *Mamma Mia!*
Lincolnton High School – Madison Alwran as Alice - *The Addams Family*
Mooresville High School – Brianna Bernhardt as Mother Superior - *Sister Act*
Myers Park High School – Anna Ten Eyck as Donna Sheridan - *Mamma Mia!*
Nation Ford High School – Sid Willoughby as Velma - *Chicago: Teen Edition*
North Gaston High School – Olivia Conley as Katherine - *Freaky Friday*
North Lincoln High School – Riley Washco as Cinderella - *Into the Woods*
Northwest Cabarrus High School – Emma Brown as Rona Lisa Peretti - *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*
Northwest School of the Arts – Luran Morris as Deloris Van Cartier - *Sister Act*
Northwestern High School – Savannah McCart as Ariel Moore - *Footloose*
Piedmont Community Charter School – Abigail Ledbetter as Belle - *Beauty and the Beast*
Pine Lake Preparatory – Audrey Hochman as Baker's Wife - *Into the Woods*
Providence Day School – Grace Mihalick as Kyra/Clio - *Xanadu*
Providence High School – Njoki Tiagha as Tanya - *Mamma Mia!*
Shelby High School – Kasandra Simpson as Wednesday - *The Addams Family*
South Mecklenburg High School – Shantel Tavaréz as Lola - *Damn Yankees*
South Pointe High School – Emily Morrison as Roxie Hart - *Chicago: Teen Edition*
Weddington High School – Sophia Randazzo as Marian Paroo - *The Music Man*
West Cabarrus High School – Angelina Nieto as Audrey - *Little Shop of Horrors*
Westminster Catawba Christian School – Jordan Smith as Gabriella - *High School Musical*
William A. Hough High School – Kylee Gauthier as Gabriella - *High School Musical*