



2023 BLUMENTHAL PERFORMING ARTS HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL THEATER AWARDS

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The students listed below are the finalists in the categories of Best Actor and Best Actress. The 6 nominees for these categories will be announced the week of May 1, 2023.

Finalists for Best Actor

A.L. Brown High School – Liam Graves as Baker - *Into the Woods*
Ardrey Kell High School - Brett Parrish as Jack - *Into the Woods*
Bandys High School - Gabriel Beech as Clyde Barrow - *Bonnie and Clyde*
Cannon School - Jonah Feeley as Adam - *Freaky Friday*
Central Academy of Technology and Arts - Omari Cupid as Jesus of Nazareth - *Jesus Christ Superstar*
Central Cabarrus High School - Cavan Kastler as Mr. Wormwood - *Matilda the Musical*
Charlotte Christian School - Jeffery Wilson as Baker - *Into the Woods*
Charlotte Country Day School - Lance Toppin as Nick Bottom - *Something Rotten*
Charlotte Latin School - Adam Stone as Farquard - *Shrek the Musical*
Christ the King Catholic High School - Miguel Villalobos as Shrek - *Shrek the Musical*
Concord Academy - Eli Fischer as Lumiere - *Beauty and the Beast*
Cox Mill High School - Cooper Grove as Sam - *Mamma Mia!*
Cuthbertson High School - Lucas Mechelli as Spongebob Squarepants - *The Spongebob Musical*
David W. Butler High School - Grant Bergeman as Bill Calhoun/Lucentio - *Kiss Me, Kate*
Davidson Day School - Taylor Shiley as Damian - *Mean Girls*
East Lincoln High School - Ty Yandle as Troy Bolton - *High School Musical*
East Mecklenburg High School - Kayne Domenech as Gaston - *Beauty and the Beast*
Fort Mill High School - Liam Escalante as Damian - *Mean Girls*
Gaston Christian School - Caden Sprinkles as Professor Bhaer - *Little Women the Musical*
Hickory Ridge High School - Peyton Ledbetter as Spongebob Squarepants - *The Spongebob Musical*
Hopewell High School - Ian Cavendish as Eddie Souther - *Sister Act*
Independence High School - Michael Sami-Geng as Cpt. Joseph Riser - *The Hello Girls*
Kings Mountain High School - Hunter Turnow as Sam - *Mamma Mia!*
Lake Norman High School - Joey Minogue as Gomez Addams - *The Addams Family*
Lincolnton High School - Kevin Solera as Adolpho - *The Drowsy Chaperone*
Mooresville High School - Jaiden Noblezada as Jack - *Into the Woods*
Mountain Island Charter School - Kendrick Wells as Mal - *The Addams Family*
North Gaston High School - Cody Meares as Baker - *Into the Woods*
North Lincoln High School - Ethan Smith as Vlad Popov - *Anastasia*
North Mecklenburg High School - Gary Lane as Daniel - *Once on This Island*
Northwest Cabarrus High School - Samuel Benton as Hermes - *Orphie and the Book of Heroes*
Northwest School of the Arts - Devon Ovall as Emcee - *Cabaret*
Northwestern High School - Parker Syler as Lumiere - *Beauty and the Beast*
Piedmont Community Charter School - Matthew Carper as Billy Ray Dobbs - *Bright Star*
Porter Ridge High School - Jackson Highshaw as Seymour - *Little Shop of Horrors*
Providence Day School – Carson Sacco as Prince Dauntless - *Once Upon a Mattress*
Providence High School - Trey Conder as Sweeney Todd - *Sweeney Todd*

Shelby High School - Will Hoard as Motel - *Fiddler on the Roof*
South Iredell High School - Aaron Feige as Sam Carmichael - *Mamma Mia!*
South Mecklenburg High School - Jack Ellsworth as Franklin Hart Jr. - *9 to 5*
South Pointe High School - Noah Whisonant as Lieutenant Frank Cioffi - *Curtains School Edition*
Stuart W. Cramer High School - Bowie Werren as Horton - *Seussical*
Weddington High School - Jackson Jedelsky as Horton - *Seussical*
West Cabarrus High School - Trey Betler as Baker - *Into the Woods*
Westminster Catawba Christian School - Chris Hancock as Davey - *Newsies*
William A. Hough High School - Michael Swartz as Sam Carmichael - *Mamma Mia!*

Finalists for Best Actress

A.L. Brown High School – Jada Sifford as Witch - *Into the Woods*
Ardrey Kell High School - Ainsley Jones as Cinderella - *Into the Woods*
Bandys High School - Ciara Davidon as Bonnie Parker - *Bonnie and Clyde*
Cannon School - Annalise Randall-Bauer as Ellie Blake - *Freaky Friday*
Central Academy of Technology and Arts - Katie Rутtenberg as Mary Magdalene - *Jesus Christ Superstar*
Central Cabarrus High School - Mycah Smith as Matilda Wormwood - *Matilda the Musical*
Charlotte Christian School - Isabella Long as Witch - *Into the Woods*
Charlotte Country Day School - Sabrina McGovern as Bea - *Something Rotten*
Charlotte Latin School - Sydney Lawrence as Fiona - *Shrek the Musical*
Christ the King Catholic High School - Paige Flynn as Fiona - *Shrek the Musical*
Concord Academy - Lainey Gaston as Mrs. Potts - *Beauty and the Beast*
Cox Mill High School - Dasha Jackson as Sophie - *Mamma Mia!*
Cuthbertson High School - Jolie Kymer as Sandy Cheeks - *The Spongebob Musical*
David W. Butler High School - Tori Regehr as Lois Lane/Bianca - *Kiss Me, Kate*
Davidson Day School - Kathleen Moore as Regina George - *Mean Girls*
East Lincoln High School - Ava Watters as Sharpay Evans - *High School Musical*
East Mecklenburg High School - Dagnie Sturdahl as Mrs. Potts - *Beauty and the Beast*
Fort Mill High School - Lily Stiles as Regina George - *Mean Girls*
Gaston Christian School - Ava Sullivan as Jo March - *Little Women the Musical*
Hickory Ridge High School - Gianna Clark as Patrick Star - *The Spongebob Musical*
Hopewell High School - Alana McQueen as Deloris Van Cartier - *Sister Act*
Independence High School - Annie Clark as Grace Banker - *The Hello Girls*
Kings Mountain High School - Railey Bolt as Sophie - *Mamma Mia!*
Lake Norman High School - Emma Scherer as Morticia Addams - *The Addams Family*
Lincolnton High School - Madison Alwran as Chaperone - *The Drowsy Chaperone*
Mooresville High School - Brianna Bernhardt as Baker's Wife - *Into the Woods*
Mountain Island Charter School - Joyner Jones as Wednesday - *The Addams Family*
North Gaston High School - Jayda Outen as Witch - *Into the Woods*
North Lincoln High School - Riley Washco as Anya - *Anastasia*
North Mecklenburg High School - Amya Harris as TiMoune - *Once on This Island*
Northwest Cabarrus High School - Anna Self as Orphie - *Orphie and the Book of Heroes*
Northwest School of the Arts - Gracie Bryant as Sally - *Cabaret*
Northwestern High School - Grace Summers as Belle - *Beauty and the Beast*
Piedmont Community Charter School - Sara Montreuil as Alice Murphy - *Bright Star*
Porter Ridge High School - Emily Bowling as Audrey - *Little Shop of Horrors*
Providence Day School – Avery Thalburg as Princess Winnifred - *Once Upon a Mattress*
Providence High School - Njoki Tiagha as Mrs. Lovett - *Sweeney Todd*
Shelby High School - Azariah Surratt as Golde - *Fiddler on the Roof*
South Iredell High School - Juliet Mingle as Donna Sheridan - *Mamma Mia!*
South Mecklenburg High School - Shantal Tavarez as Judy Bernly - *9 to 5*

South Pointe High School - Scooter Johnson as Georgia Hendricks - *Curtains School Edition*
Stuart W. Cramer High School - Marley Prato as Mayzie - *Seussical*
Weddington High School - Kate Johnson as Mayzie - *Seussical*
West Cabarrus High School - Myla-Joi Jacobs as Little Red Riding Hood - *Into the Woods*
Westminster Catawba Christian School - Jordan Smith as Katherine Plumber - *Newsies*
William A. Hough High School - Kylee Gauthier as Tanya Cresham-Leigh - *Mamma Mia!*

The students listed below are each production's finalists in the categories of Best Supporting Actor and Best Supporting Actress. The top 6 nominees for these categories are provided above.

Finalists for Best Supporting Actor

A.L. Brown High School – Rylan Lowe as Rapunzel's Prince - *Into the Woods*
Ardrey Kell High School - Dean Neelson as Rapunzel's Prince - *Into the Woods*
Bandys High School - Zachary Ferreira as Ted Hinton - *Bonnie and Clyde*
Cannon School - Michael Wang as Mike - *Freaky Friday*
Carmel Christian School - Dylan Wilson as George Banks - *Mary Poppins*
Central Academy of Technology and Arts - Cade Helms as Peter - *Jesus Christ Superstar*
Central Cabarrus High School - Major George as Bruce - *Matilda the Musical*
Charlotte Christian School - Jayden Stall as Cinderella's Prince - *Into the Woods*
Charlotte Country Day School - Jack Cooper as Shakespeare - *Something Rotten*
Charlotte Latin School - John Puyleart as Pinocchio - *Shrek the Musical*
Christ the King Catholic High School - Omari Benel as Donkey - *Shrek the Musical*
Concord Academy - Hayden Love as Gaston - *Beauty and the Beast*
Cox Mill High School - Finnegan McCarthy as Harry - *Mamma Mia!*
Cuthbertson High School - Collin Limer as Squidward - *The Spongebob Musical*
David W. Butler High School - Tristan Blackmon as 1st Gangster - *Kiss Me, Kate*
Davidson Day School - Aiden Lank as Aaron Samuels - *Mean Girls*
East Lincoln High School - Marqui Sanders as Ryan Evans - *High School Musical*
East Mecklenburg High School - Victor Olivan as Lumiere - *Beauty and the Beast*
Fort Mill High School - Tyler Brothers as Aaron - *Mean Girls*
Gaston Christian School - Spencer Witt as Mr. Brook - *Little Women the Musical*
Hickory Ridge High School - Eli Messer as Sheldon Plankton - *The Spongebob Musical*
Hopewell High School - Frankie Zaremba as TJ - *Sister Act*
Independence High School - Tiago Forner Filho as Lt. Ernest Wessen - *The Hello Girls*
Kings Mountain High School - Kaden Sims as Harry - *Mamma Mia!*
Lake Norman High School - Jet Teasley as Fester - *The Addams Family*
Lincolnton High School - Logan Marshall as Feldzieg - *The Drowsy Chaperone*
Mooresville High School - Logan Pelchat as Wolf/Cinderella's Prince - *Into the Woods*
Mountain Island Charter School - Colson Branum as Pugsley - *The Addams Family*
North Gaston High School - Wesley Lawson as Wolf/Cinderella's Prince - *Into the Woods*
North Lincoln High School - Caleb Gerena as Gleb Vaganov - *Anastasia*
North Mecklenburg High School - Phoenix Hammond as Ton Ton Julian/Beauxhomme Storyteller - *Once on This Island*
Northwest Cabarrus High School - Maddox Bass as Heracles - *Orphie and the Book of Heroes*
Northwest School of the Arts - Jack Tyrell as Cliff Bradshaw - *Cabaret*
Northwestern High School - Joseph Grant as Gaston - *Beauty and the Beast*
Piedmont Community Charter School - Daniel Esquivel as Billy Cane - *Bright Star*
Porter Ridge High School – Will Vancleave as Voice of Audrey 2 - *Little Shop of Horrors*
Providence Day School – AJ James as Jester - *Once Upon a Mattress*
Providence High School - Clay Patton as Anthony - *Sweeney Todd*
Shelby High School - Drake Spence as Perchik - *Fiddler on the Roof*

South Iredell High School - Aiden Zanotti as Sky - *Mamma Mia!*
South Mecklenburg High School - Callum Griffith as Joe - *9 to 5*
South Pointe High School - Mauri Hicklen as Bobby Pepper - *Curtains School Edition*
Stuart W. Cramer High School - Caleb Bailey as General Schmitz - *Seussical*
Weddington High School - Josh Moraja as Wickersham/Schmitz/Yertle - *Seussical*
West Cabarrus High School - Elias Obsaint as Cinderella's Prince - *Into the Woods*
Westminster Catawba Christian School - Hayden Roach as Joseph Pulitzer - *Newsies*
William A. Hough High School - Sam Millen as Harry Bright - *Mamma Mia!*

Finalists for Best Supporting Actress

A.L. Brown High School – Hannah Furr as Little Red Riding Hood - *Into the Woods*
Ardrey Kell High School - Amelia Cox as Jack's Mother - *Into the Woods*
Bandys High School - Allie Reed as Blanche Barrow - *Bonnie and Clyde*
Cannon School - Abby Guilfoyle as Torrey - *Freaky Friday*
Carmel Christian School - Hope Joubert as Winifred Banks - *Mary Poppins*
Central Academy of Technology and Arts - Natalie Hough as Pontius Pilate - *Jesus Christ Superstar*
Central Cabarrus High School - Jenna Guilmette as Lavendar - *Matilda the Musical*
Charlotte Christian School - Ruthie Caswell as Little Red Riding Hood - *Into the Woods*
Charlotte Country Day School - Magdeline Fraser as Portia - *Something Rotten*
Charlotte Latin School - Anna Wasco as Dragon - *Shrek the Musical*
Christ the King Catholic High School - Eva Homic as Dragon - *Shrek the Musical*
Concord Academy - Vada Burke as Cogsworth - *Beauty and the Beast*
Cox Mill High School - Rebecca Aylward as Rosie - *Mamma Mia!*
Cuthbertson High School - Ananda Thompson as Pearl Krabs - *The Spongebob Musical*
David W. Butler High School - Montana Hayes as 2nd Gangster - *Kiss Me, Kate*
Davidson Day School - Ashlyn Letarte as Janis Sarkisian - *Mean Girls*
East Lincoln High School - Reagan Wray as Ms. Darbus - *High School Musical*
East Mecklenburg High School - Drika Campos as Madame - *Beauty and the Beast*
Fort Mill High School - Sophia Tsouris as Janis Sarkisian - *Mean Girls*
Gaston Christian School - Lilly Floyd as Beth - *Little Women the Musical*
Hickory Ridge High School - Lauren Coleman as Pearl Krabs - *The Spongebob Musical*
Hopewell High School - Danielle Deavers as Sister Mary Robert - *Sister Act*
Independence High School - Kaylie Ny as Suzanne Prevot - *The Hello Girls*
Kings Mountain High School - Olivia Wilson as Rosie - *Mamma Mia!*
Lake Norman High School - Caitlyn D'Amore as Alice Beineke - *The Addams Family*
Lincolnton High School - Adrienne Bryant as Janet - *The Drowsy Chaperone*
Mooresville High School - Shakayla Lewis as Jack's Mother - *Into the Woods*
Mountain Island Charter School - Bella Grace Rhinehardt as Grandma - *The Addams Family*
North Gaston High School - Lily Frazier as Little Red Riding Hood - *Into the Woods*
North Lincoln High School - Emily Laramie as Countess Lily Malevsky-Malevitch - *Anastasia*
North Mecklenburg High School - Yasmin Mayfield as Papa Ge - *Once on This Island*
Northwest Cabarrus High School - Natalia McNutt as Persephone - *Orphie and the Book of Heroes*
Northwest School of the Arts - Izzy Meltzer as Fraulein Schneider - *Cabaret*
Northwestern High School - McKenna Baker as Mrs. Potts - *Beauty and the Beast*
Piedmont Community Charter School - Sabrina Lorca-Lozano as Lucy - *Bright Star*
Porter Ridge High School – Judith Vargas as Mrs. Mushnik - *Little Shop of Horrors*
Providence Day School – Cassie Miller as Lady Larken - *Once Upon a Mattress*
Providence High School - Amelia McCarty as Johanna - *Sweeney Todd*
Shelby High School - Lana Meadows as Yente - *Fiddler on the Roof*
South Iredell High School - Olutofarati Agbebi as Rosie - *Mamma Mia!*
South Mecklenburg High School - Manuela Bello as Roz - *9 to 5*

South Pointe High School - Kyia Jones as Carmen Bernstein - *Curtains School Edition*
Stuart W. Cramer High School - Nyla Hoffman as Sour Kangaroo - *Seussical*
Weddington High School - Bella Efir as Gertrude - *Seussical*
West Cabarrus High School - Sarai' Obsaint as Narrator - *Into the Woods*
Westminster Catawba Christian School - Olivia Grant as Crutchie - *Newsies*
William A. Hough High School - Eryn Rueb as Rosie Mulligan - *Mamma Mia!*

The students listed below are each production's finalist in the categories of Best Featured Performer. The top 6 nominees for this category are provided above.

Finalists for Best Featured Performer

A.L. Brown High School – Jakob Wagner as Mysterious Man - *Into the Woods*
Ardrey Kell High School - Meagan AuBuchon as Cinderella's Stepmother - *Into the Woods*
Bandys High School - Caeley Miles as Trish - *Bonnie and Clyde*
Cannon School - Avery Fawcett as Mrs. Luckenbill/Officer Sitz - *Freaky Friday*
Carmel Christian School - Jordan Saunders as Miss Andrew - *Mary Poppins*
Central Academy of Technology and Arts - Lana Patel as King Herod - *Jesus Christ Superstar*
Central Cabarrus High School - Cameron Shackelford as Doctor/Rudolpho - *Matilda the Musical*
Charlotte Christian School - Isabelle Franklin as Ensemble/Wolf - *Into the Woods*
Charlotte Country Day School - Reagan Harris as Ensemble/Peter - *Something Rotten*
Charlotte Latin School - Noelle Okland as Gingy/Wicked Witch - *Shrek the Musical*
Christ the King Catholic High School - Haley Gorman as Gingy - *Shrek the Musical*
Concord Academy - Lola Ugale as Babette - *Beauty and the Beast*
Cox Mill High School - Griffin Harris as Eddie - *Mamma Mia!*
Cuthbertson High School - Kade Robinson as Foley Artist - *The Spongebob Musical*
David W. Butler High School - Sydney Milligan as Stage Manager - *Kiss Me, Kate*
Davidson Day School - Ada Brown as Mrs. George - *Mean Girls*
East Lincoln High School - Fardi Luna Gonzalez as Jack Scott - *High School Musical*
East Mecklenburg High School - Samantha Bost as Fille #1 - *Beauty and the Beast*
Fort Mill High School - Jackson Wright as Mr. Duvall - *Mean Girls*
Gaston Christian School - Callie Keller as Mrs. Kirk - *Little Women the Musical*
Hickory Ridge High School - Ridhu Venigalla as Perch Perkins - *The Spongebob Musical*
Hopewell High School - JP Spencer as Monsignor O'Hare - *Sister Act*
Kings Mountain High School - Kamari Tyler Floyd as Pepper - *Mamma Mia!*
Lake Norman High School - Emily Deaver as Grandma - *The Addams Family*
Lincolnton High School - Xavriona Alexander as Trix - *The Drowsy Chaperone*
Mooresville High School - Achilles Arends as Mysterious Man - *Into the Woods*
Mountain Island Charter School - Gracee Tsitouris as Ancestor - *The Addams Family*
North Gaston High School - Mike Schulz as Steward- *Into the Woods*
North Lincoln High School - Harold Garcia as Count Ipolitov - *Anastasia*
North Mecklenburg High School - Charlotte Coyour as Andrea/Storyteller - *Once on This Island*
Northwest Cabarrus High School - Caden Collett as Atlas - *Orphie and the Book of Heroes*
Northwest School of the Arts - Olivia DeAmicis as Lulu - *Cabaret*
Northwestern High School - Jeremiah Hardin as Baker - *Beauty and the Beast*
Piedmont Community Charter School - Emma Wilson as Mama Murphy - *Bright Star*
Porter Ridge High School – Josh Simpson as Puppeteer - *Little Shop of Horrors*
Providence Day School – John Carter Krell as King Sextimus - *Once Upon a Mattress*
Providence High School - Pippa Miller as Beggar Woman - *Sweeney Todd*
Shelby High School - Annalise Bradley as Fruma-Sarah - *Fiddler on the Roof*
South Iredell High School - Kelly Giron as Ensemble/Dance Captain - *Mamma Mia!*

South Mecklenburg High School - Ahlivia Gary as Tinsworthy - *9 to 5*

South Pointe High School - Kathryn Johnson as Joanie Harmon - *Curtains School Edition*

Stuart W. Cramer High School - Paxton Free as Bird Girl #1 - *Seussical*

Weddington High School - Jordan Cobb as South Kangaroo - *Seussical*

West Cabarrus High School - Jacob Williams as Milky White - *Into the Woods*

Westminster Catawba Christian School - Jessica Kelly Tindal as Mrs. Jacobi - *Newsies*

William A. Hough High School - Trey Purvis as Eddie - *Mamma Mia!*