

Superintendent's Highlight of the Week April 20, 2018



If you have not planned a weekend to include the Drama Cadet's production of the Hunchback of Notre Dame, stop everything and change your plans! Without a doubt this year's performance will sweep you away. From the sets, singing, dancing and the magnificent pit, featuring our very own students and staff, you will be left in awe at the level of perfection achieved by Richard Olivari, the director.

The story is one that teaches the audience that tolerance and acceptance

are of the utmost importance, and that we all have capability to love and be loved. Highlighted by soaring melodies set within the style of the Romantic period of music, this retelling of the classic tale is brilliantly executed on the stage by the wonderful members of the cast. Each aspect of this production furthers another theme: collaboration.

Hats off to all involved in the production including the Robert Lombardo, Sharon Olivari, Leah Olivari, Meredith Goldfarb, Kelly Alcantara, and Kimberly Muller. With a beautiful set designed to look like the inside of the famous cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris, beautifully lighting, choreography in the style of gypsy dancing, and an incredible pit. Be sure to compliment Mr. Chiarello, Mr. Langenauer and Mr. Carter, our music teachers who gave so generously of their musical talent, along with their students. Above all, praise must be given to the magnificent cast of almost 70 students who so wonderfully embraced the story and characters so well. Because of their dedication and talent, they have once again created a beautiful piece of theatre that will forever be a part of the canon of amazing works performed in the district.

Finally, for over 20 years, Mr. Richard Olivari tirelessly has given so much time and energy to assure that the productions are of the highest quality and done professionally. Thank you to Mr. Olivari for yet another incredible performance, and on the production of, "Hunchback of Notre Dame." We stand in admiration and awe of this wonderful theatrical experience and give all involved a standing ovation!

