

BRAMPTON MUSIC THEATRE PRESENTS



High School Musical is a timeless tale of following your passion, breaking down stereotypes, and finding your voice. Follow the captivating story of Troy, Gabriella, and their talented friends as they navigate the challenges of high school and pursue their dreams of music and stardom.

PERFORMANCES

- Friday, December 1, at 10:00 am (School Show)
- Friday, December 1, 2023, at 7:00 pm (Evening Show)
- Saturday, December 2, 2023, at 2:00 pm (Matinee)
- Saturday, December 2, 2023, at 7:00 pm (Evening Show)
- Sunday, December 3, 2023, at 2:00 pm (Matinee)

Please Note: a 6th show may be added on Thursday, November 30th at 7:00pm (opening night show). TBD.

INFORMATION NIGHT (optional)

- Tuesday, September 19 at 7pm

AUDITION DATES

- Sunday, September 24 – 7pm to 9pm - (Monologue + Music Auditions)
- Tuesday, September 26 – 6pm to 9pm – (Dance Auditions)

ADDITIONAL CALLBACKS (if required)

- Friday, Sept 29 – 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

MUSIC: Please come prepared to sing two songs - **60 seconds or LESS** each – that you are comfortable with and that best showcases your range. You may be asked to only sing one of your two songs. Please prepare **one ballad** and **one upbeat** song. One of the songs you prepare must be from a musical that is in a similar style to High School Musical but **not** from High School Musical and the other must be a pop song (no rap). Keyboard accompaniment will not be provided. Instead, please have a device with an instrumental or karaoke version of your chosen songs ready to be connected to a Bluetooth speaker (BMT will provide the speaker). No Acapella auditions please. You may also be asked to demonstrate your vocal range by singing a scale from your lowest comfortable note to your highest comfortable note.

- **Musical Theatre Suggestions:** Bring It On, Heathers, Six, Wicked, Dear Evan Hansen, Grease, Newsies
- **Avoid** princess/classical Musical Theatre songs: Cinderella, Anastasia, Moana, Sound of Music, West Side Story
- **Pop Suggestions:** Taylor Swift, Ariana Grande, Katy Perry, Dua Lipa, Justin Bieber, Shawn Mendes, Harry Styles, Charlie Puth, Bruno Mars
- **Avoid:** Billie Eilish, Miley Cyrus, Ed Sheeran, Conan Gray

ACTING: You will be asked to prepare sides. Side materials from the show will be provided to you upon e-mail confirmation of your audition slot.

DANCE: All auditionees MUST attend the scheduled dance call on Tuesday, September 26, 2023. Please come wearing comfortable clothes and shoes that you are able to dance in.

CHARACTER BREAKDOWN

Gabriella Montez

Gabriella Montez is the new student who's struggling to find her place at East High. She's a Renaissance woman who doesn't fully identify with any of the cliques, and so she's taking her time – and realizing her confidence – along the way. Smart and independent, Gabriella can be shy and vulnerable at times. She comes into her own when she discovers her talent and love for singing with Troy.

Troy Bolton

Troy Bolton, the most popular student at East High, is the star of the basketball team who yearns to be more than what others – especially his dad, Coach Bolton – want him to be. A natural athlete and leader with charm to spare, Troy discovers he loves to sing, but is afraid to admit it to his basketball buddies.

Sharpay Evans

Sharpay Evans is the dramatic and self-centered star of the school musicals. Between her and Ryan, she's the alpha twin – over-the-top, demanding, and always “on,” with a flair for the theatrical. Must be a strong dancer.

Ryan Evans

Ryan Evans is Sharpay's fraternal twin and, like her, he lives to sing, dance, and get loads of attention. Subordinate to his sister, Ryan generally follows Sharpay's orders and lets her have the spotlight, but he longs to break free from her shadow and assert himself. Must be a strong dancer.

Kelsi Nielsen

Kelsi Nielsen, the neo-feminist writer-composer of the winter musical, *Juliet and Romeo*, possesses a shy demeanor but no tolerance for the egocentric likes of Sharpay.

Chad Danforth

Chad Danforth, one of Troy's best friends, is a sports fanatic. Focused on winning the basketball championship, Chad slowly begins to understand that there might be more to life than ball – including his crush on Taylor.

Zeke Baylor

Zeke Baylor, Troy's other best buddy, is a basketball player with a sweet side. He has two secrets: a crush on Sharpay and a love for baking!

Taylor Mckessie

Taylor McKessie, the very put-together president of the Science Club, is super-assertive and very intent on Gabriella joining the Science Decathlon team so they can (finally!) win the competition. Taylor has a hidden soft spot for Chad, but would never let it be known that she's into a jock. Confident, with a slight air of pretentiousness.

Ms. Darbus

Ms. Darbus is East High's eccentric drama teacher. Passionate and disciplined, she never stops trying to enrich the lives of her students through the wonders of live theater.

Coach Bolton

Coach Bolton, the stern basketball coach and Troy's sometimes overbearing dad, lost the big game years ago and wants a second chance through his basketball-star son.

Martha Cox

Martha Cox, a proud member of the Science Club, possesses a private passion for break dancing. Must be a strong dancer.

Featured Ensemble

The **BRAINIACS**, headed by Taylor McKessie, are the smartest girls and boys in school, including Martha Cox and the change-adverse **KRATNOFF**.

The **JOCKS** and **CHEERLEADERS** are the East High athletes, including Troy, Chad, and Zeke.

The **THESPIANS** are the drama lovers, including Kelsi, Sharpay, and Ryan, as well as the following auditionees: **CATHY**, who belts like Ethel Merman, **CYNDRA**, the opera-lover, **JAMES**, who can't sing on pitch and **SUSAN**, the wannabe pop star.

The **PARTY KIDS** are students in Troy and Gabriella's karaoke flashback.

The **REBELS**, including Troy and Gabriella, don't stick to the status quo, unlike the various school cliques. Other featured performers include:

JACK SCOTT, the school announcer with a larger-than-life personality, longs to be a D.J. Look for an actor who will have no problem making this role his own, creating a quirky radio personality with a unique sense of style. While this actor will primarily stay as Jack throughout, there are opportunities to join ensemble numbers such as "Stick to the Status Quo" and "Get'cha Head in the Game."

DRUM MAJOR, who cheers on the Wildcats.

MS. TENNY, East High's chemistry teacher.

MODERATOR, for the Science Decathlon (can be double cast as Ms. Tenny)

Please email auditions@bramptonmusictheatre.com if you have questions or to schedule an audition date and time.