

**NUEVO COMMUNITY THEATRE  
PROUDLY PRESENTS**

**HIGH  
SCHOOL  
MUSICAL**

**DEC 7, 8, 14 & 15 @ 7PM**

**PRODUCED WITH PERMISSION FROM  
MUSICAL THEATRE INTERNATIONAL**

**SIMPSON HALL  
30401 RESERVOIR AVENUE, NUEVO, CA**





# PRODUCTION TEAM



Director..... Cassandra Hammond  
Choreography ..... Amanda Weibel &  
Brianna Medina  
Stage Manager ..... Willow Weibel  
Asst. Stage Manager ..... Cristian Sanchez  
& Cecilia Castillo  
Light Op ..... Cecilia Castillo  
Followspot ..... Emily Weibel  
Sound A1 ..... Eric Zamora  
Sound A2 ..... Cristian Sanche

## Crew

Kim Millsap  
Valerie Gama  
Noe Cazares  
Roman Nichols-Dunlap

Devin Lowery  
Tabby Aguirre  
Nancy Hilig



# SPECIAL THANKS TO



- ... Ed and Diane Shott for all their hard work and hours put into the set construction.
- ... Cathe Masters, Yesenia Medina, Regina Weibel, and Shannon Hill for keeping the cast fed and happy.
- ... Mary Garcia & Lynette Tucker for documenting the whole story for our archives!
- ... Jonathan Jobe and Steven Smith for lending their voices to the show!



# CAST

## LUCCA BENIGNI AS TROY BOLTON



Lucca Benigni (junior) is honored to be a part of this cast and crew and can not wait to see what the East High Wildcats will bring to this show. He has played Mack in Peter and the Starcatcher, East in Almost Maine, Centipede in James and the Giant Peach, Chino in West Side Story, and Man 3 in House on Mango Street. Lucca has been from place to place in the last fourteen years but, is glad that his high school years will be here with these amazing, hard working, and crazy people. Nuevo is the city that taught him everything he knows and is grateful he can give back in such a creative way. Lucca would love to thank director Cassie Hammond for getting his head in the game and for trusting him to take on this role and for that reason he is eternally grateful. Lucca would also like to thank his family and friends for being there and supporting him through all the ideas and projects he has done. Lucca would like all the people who see the show to take one thing away from this amazing production: We're all in this together!

## MARIA CORTEZ AS GABRIELLA MONTEZ

Maria is a sophomore at NBECHS who is playing the role of Gabriella Montez. This is her second show with Nuevo Community Theater, as West Side story was her first. She is excited to portray such an iconic character as her first lead role. Maria has enjoyed every moment of High School Musical and looks forward to her future endeavors in theater. She would like to thank her family for supporting her and cheering her on constantly. Maria would also like to thank the cast and crew for being an amazing energy to be around and giving 100% of themselves to this production. A very special thanks to her director, Cassie, who introduced her to the magical world of theater and has lovingly welcomed her to the theater program at NBECHS. She hopes the audience enjoys and is transported to the world of High School Musical. WELCOME TO EAST HIGH, HOME OF THE WILDCATS!



## HALLE NUGENT AS TAYLOR



Halle Nugent, a senior, is playing the role of Taylor. This is the first production that Halle has taken part in and she is loving it. She is excited to play a character with sides you may not know she had, the “geeky science girl” with a comedic twist. She looks forward to continuing to work with her peers and getting to know different kids within the school. She has also enjoyed seeing her friends and peers succeed and seeing their abilities outside of the classroom. She would like to thank her director, Cassie, for all of the help and for believing her. Also, for pushing her to audition and take part in the musical. She would also like to thank her cast mates for being so welcoming to a newbie and for helping her throughout the process.





# CAST



## ENRIQUE ZAVALA AS CHAD DANFORTH

Yo doggie what's up. Enrique Zavala is a sophomore at Nuvview Bridge Early College High School and has been doing theatre for about six years. He has been in the ensemble for Oliver, Fiddler on the Roof, Once Upon A Mattress, Seussical, Anything Goes, Big Fish, Addams Family, West Side Story and Peter and the Starcatcher. In James and the Giant Peach he played the role of Earthworm. In high school musical Enrique is playing the role of Chad Danforth. Chad is the best friend of Troy Bolton and all that's on his mind is BASKETBALL. Enrique hopes you enjoy the show and have a happy wildcat new year.



## MAGGIE HAMMOND AS SHARPAY EVANS

Maggie Hammond is an NBECHS sophomore who has participated in theatre for as long as she can remember. Some of her memorable roles include Ted in Peter and the Starcatcher, Anybodys in West Side Story, and Aunt Sponge in James and the Giant Peach, though she has had over 10 ensemble roles as well. Though that may sound pretty Sharpay-like, Maggie's real place is in costume design, where she has designed for productions such as The Phantom Tollbooth Jr. and The House On Mango Street, and assisted with more. She is thankful for her theatre family and the support and acceptance they have brought her. They're "What [she's] Been Looking For" and they have "worked [their] tails off every day" to make this show "Fabulous".



## ANTHONY MEJIA AS RYAN EVANS

Anthony Mejia, a sophomore, is playing Ryan Evans. He is excited to be playing such a fun character. Though it was a little out of his comfort zone, it was fun to try something new. He is still fairly new to theater, but he looks forward to learning more throughout the years. Anthony hopes to use the experiences from his previous production, West Side Story, to perform well for the audience. He has enjoyed seeing his fellow cast mates sing along to the great songs from the show and looks forward to performing them while having a fun time. He would like to thank his director, Cassie, for giving him the chance to play this role. He would also like to thank his cast mates for keeping him motivated throughout the show. He hopes the audience enjoys the show and appreciates the work we all put into it.







# CAST



## CRISTIAN SANCHEZ AS JACK SCOTT

Cristian Sanchez (senior at NBECHS) is playing Jack “The Velvet Fog” Scott. He has played a variety of different characters in the past and is excited to be a part of the cast and crew of HSM, his 9th show in this community. Some of the characters he has played in the past include Lendall in Almost Maine, Robert Falcon Scott in Peter and the Starcatcher, Resten in Language Archive, Billy Bobby Cop in James and the Giant Peach, Lieutenant Schrank in West Side Story and Man 1 (9 different characters) in House on Mango Street. He is proud to share one of his final shows as an actor with this amazing cast and crew. He wants to thank the tech crew for their amazing work in pulling the rest of the show together for them and his cast members, especially all the new faces for devoting their time to this show. He would also like to give an extra special thank you to his biggest inspiration, his director, Cassie who takes no breaks in giving her all to each and every single production and constantly making sure everyone is in line. This would not be possible without her, hope you enjoy High School Musical. GOOOOO WILDCATS!

## ANNA VALENCIA AS KELSI NEILSON

Anna Valencia is a senior and have been doing theatre for four years. She usually works on the technical aspects of the show, especially Lighting Design. However, she has recently been performing in the shows. She played Hipster in Island Song, Sandrine in Almost Maine, and a featured dancer in West Side Story. She is super excited to play her first main role as Kelsi! She is dedicated to the role and is constantly trying to improve her acting to better her character dynamic. Anna would like to thank God above all, for allowing her the opportunity to learn and grow from this production. She would also like to thank her family without their constant support she wouldn't have made it this far. She would like to thank you for coming and supporting the arts and hopes you enjoy the West High experience!

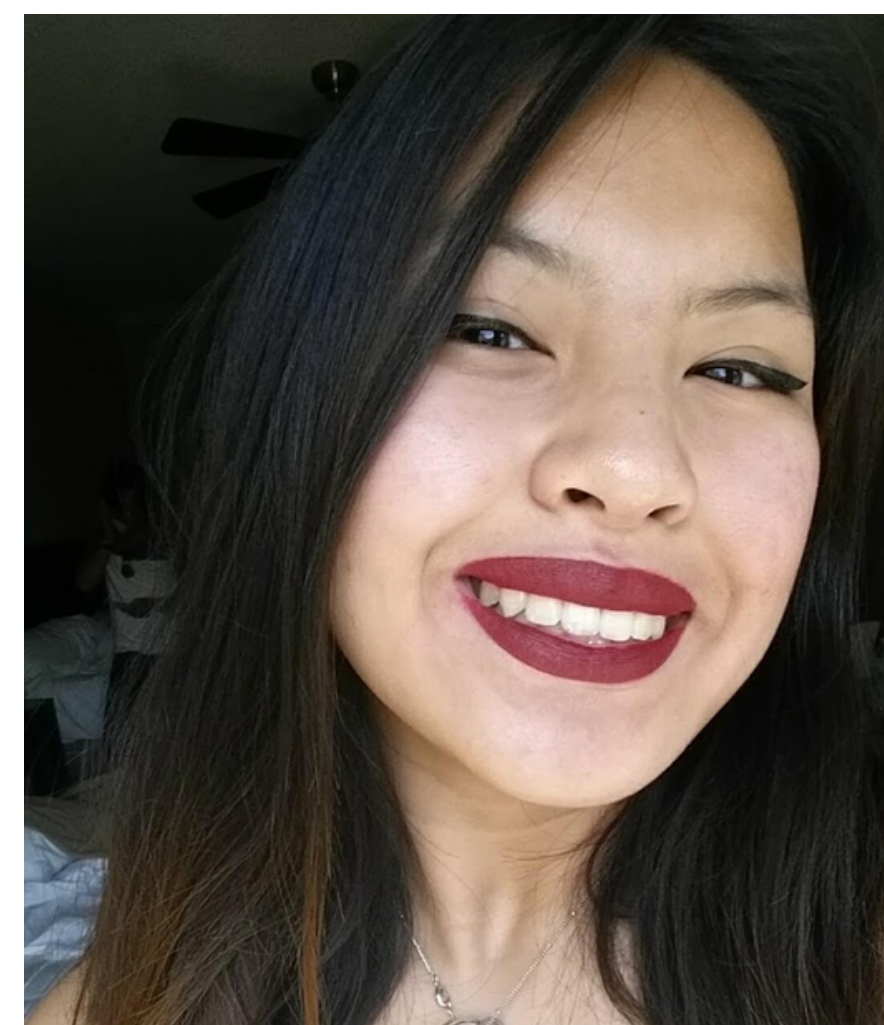


## ALEJANDRO OJEDA AS ZEKE BAYLOR

Welcome to East High! Alejandro Ojeda is a Senior at NBECHS and has been involved in theatre for over a year now. This is his fourth show, as he played the role of Bernardo in West Side Story and Man 2 in The House on Mango Street. He is delighted to be a part of the cast of High School Musical and has enjoyed working with the rest of the cast and crew to put on such an amazing production. He has especially enjoyed being able to sing and dance his heart out to some of the most iconic childhood tunes. Alejandro would like to thank his family for supporting him throughout the process. He would also like to thank his director, Cassie, for helping him become the person he is today. He hopes you all appreciate the music as much as he has come to appreciate it in the months leading up to the show. Go Wildcats!

## ANJELLI ONG AS MARTHA COX

Anjelli Therese Ong is a senior at NBECHS and has been a part of theatre for over two years now. She has been a featured dancer in Addam's Family and West Side Story and overall a part of the ensemble in both those shows and James and the Giant Peach. She has even helped create the set for The House on Mango Street. Being able to creatively express herself through dancing and singing has helped her come out of her comfort zone and become more open to trying out something new. She is so excited to be playing the role of Martha Cox in High School Musical and to be sharing this iconic experience with such a wonderful cast and crew. Anjelli would like to thank her family and friends for supporting her throughout this journey. She would like to thank the tech crew for all of their hard work and her fellow cast members for always devoting their time to learning the dances and songs. She would like to especially thank her director, Cassie Hammond, for giving her the opportunity to play this role. Working alongside these amazing people made her realize that we are all in this together and she hopes that all of you come to love this show as much as she does. Hip-hop hooray!







# JOCKS



Coach Bolton .....	Taylor Hammond
Blake Hefner	Amanda Weibel
David Neri-Valle	Kendehl Hill
Julian Soto	Kaylee McCobb
Ricky Martinez	Caitlyn Thorpe
Daniel Baca	Mireya Brito
Alex Illera	Madison Rodriguez
Margie McIntosch	Stephanie Gama
Elivia Ruiz	



# BRAINIACS



Kratnoff .....	Fredrick Jimenez
Parker Smith	Carmen Serrano
Jadyn Joyce	Kailin Johnson
Brianna Medina	Rosemary Zelaya
Sasha Lopez	Lauryn King
Sophey Merfalen	Elizabeth Camerena
Elizabeth Owens	Kayla Berkey



# THESPIANS/SKATERS



Ms. Darbus .....	Cassie Hammond
Ripper .....	Jafet Duarte
Mongo .....	Nerieda Vilasenor
Jodi Lacangan	Jweneta Nona
Malayah White	Bianca Guerrero
Hannah Masters	Karla Lara
Emily-Marie Lozano	Yasmine Illera
Katherine Tucker	Kianny Dominguez
Adaya James	Joselyn Sanchez
Ixhel Barrientos	Jackeline Limon





# SYNOPSIS



Disney’s High School Musical on Stage! centers on the blossoming relationship between Troy, a high school jock, and Gabriella, the new smart girl at school. They meet on a family vacation and become attracted to each other while singing in a karaoke competition. Rediscovering each other at school, their relationship and their surprise decision to audition together for the school show are thwarted by the school’s current leading lady, Sharpay, and Troy and Gabriella’s well-meaning friends. Finally, Gabriella and Troy find a way to be themselves and are rewarded with the lead roles in the school show. Full of catchy songs and exciting dance routines, Disney’s High School Musical on Stage! explores issues of friendship, first love, and acceptance.



# SONG LIST



Wildcat Cheer .....	All
Start of Something New.....	All
Get'cha Head in the Game.....	Troy & Team
Auditions .....	Thespians
What I've Been Looking For.....	Sharpay & Ryan
What I've Been Looking For (Reprise).....	Troy & Gabriella
Stick to the Status Quo.....	Zeke, Martha Ripper & Ensemble
I Can't Take My Eyes Off of You .....	Troy & Gabriella
Counting on You.....	Ensemble
When There Was Me & You .....	Troy & Gabriella
Start of Something New (Reprise).....	Troy & Gabriella
We're All in This Together .....	Ensemble
Bop to the Top .....	Sharpay, Ryan & Ensemble
Breaking Free .....	Troy, Gabriella & Ensemble
We're All in This Together (Reprise).....	Ensemble
High School Musical Megamix .....	Ensemble





# UPCOMING SHOWS



**Produced by Project PART**

**February 22 @ 7:00 PM**

Seussical is a fantastical, magical, musical extravaganza! It brings to life all of our favorite Dr. Seuss characters, including Horton the Elephant, The Cat in the Hat, Gertrude McFuzz, lazy Mayzie and a little boy with a big imagination –

Jojo. Ultimately, the powers of friendship, loyalty, family and community are challenged and emerge triumphant.

**Produced by**

**NBECHS Troupe 8117**

**March 8, 9, 15 & 16 @ 7:00 PM**

Meek flower shop assistant Seymour pines for co-worker Audrey. During a total eclipse, he discovers an unusual plant he names Audrey II. The growing plant attracts a great deal of business for the previously struggling store.



**Nuevo Community Theatre**

**May 10, 11, 17 & 18 @ 7:00 PM**

IN THE HEIGHTS tells the universal story of a vibrant community in New York's Washington Heights neighborhood – a place where the coffee from the corner bodega is light and sweet. It's a community on the brink of change, full of hopes, dreams and pressures, where the biggest struggles can be deciding which traditions you take with you, and which ones you leave behind.

