

Fact Sheet

2012 State Thespian Conference

Centerville High School

March 30 and 31, April 1, 2012

Overview:

The State Thespian Conference is often cited by our students as the most fun event of the year. Nearly 2000 theatre students from around the state gather to share full theatre productions as well as one-act plays and cuttings in addition to a wide range of theatre related workshops and other social activities. All this is conducted under the watchful eye of the Ohio Educational Theatre Association and the hundreds of adult chaperones who volunteer each year for the event.

Cost/expense:

A \$125.00 registration fee covers conference registration, lodging, and at least two meals in addition to breakfast available at the hotel. Participation in Individual Theatre Events, the College/University Auditions, Tech Olympics, or the SSO election is subject to an additional fee. Conference t-shirts are available at a cost determined by the conference organizers.

Fundraising:

Several fundraisers have been scheduled throughout the year. Any student who actively participates in a fundraiser will earn a share of the proceeds that then can be applied to the registration cost of the State Thespian Conference. Proceeds from a fundraiser can be applied only to costs associated directly with a school-sponsored theatre or Thespian activity. Typical fundraisers include Thespian Car Washes and Thespian Candy Sales.

Participation:

Attendance to the State Thespian Conference is open to any FHS student. One does not need to be a registered Thespian to attend conference.

Activities:

Conference includes many performances of varying size and length. We regularly submit a play to be screened for inclusion and have often presented plays ourselves at Conference. Many theatre-related activities and workshops are available to delegates. Social activities include an informal dance on Saturday evening.

Travel:

Depart from FHS at app. 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 30, 2012.

Return to FHS at app. 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 1, 2012

Parent Drivers/Chaperones:

Six to ten adult driver/chaperones are needed for the weekend. Each driver is responsible for transporting the same set of students to and from conference on each day. Each driver/chaperone is also asked to attend the conference as responsible, adult influence throughout the weekend. Driver/chaperones are also asked to donate one (1) hour to a conference related responsibility such as working the silent auction, the information booth, or the box office, among other positions.

Room Assignments and Car Assignments:

These assignments will be made at the discretion of the theatre director prior to departure.

Lodging:

Holiday Inn Express Centerville/Dayton

5655 Wilmington Pike

Centerville, Ohio 45459

(937) 424-5757

Meals:

Conference registration includes both lunch and dinner on Saturday. Students will need to either pack or purchase a dinner for Friday. A hot breakfast bar is available at the hotel.

Conference:

Sponsored by the Ohio Educational Theatre Association; Scott Wilson, state director

Conference Rules:

Students must adhere to the Akron Board of Education's Code of Student Behavior at all times.

Conference rules and regulations are provided to parent and student at time of registration.

Any student in violation of any of these rules will be sent home (at parent's expense) and will face appropriate disciplinary actions upon return to Firestone High School.