Auditions for Annie

All students in our Middle and Upper School are encouraged to audition.

Based on the popular comic strip by Harold Gray, *Annie* has become a worldwide phenomenon and was the winner of seven Tony Awards, including Best Musical. With equal measures of pluck and positivity, little orphan Annie charms everyone's hearts despite a next-to-nothing start in 1930s New York City. She is determined to find the parents who abandoned her years ago on the doorstep of a New York City Orphanage that is run by the cruel, embittered Miss Hannigan. With the help of the other girls in the orphanage, Annie escapes to the wondrous world of NYC. In adventure after fun-filled adventure, Annie foils Miss Hannigan's evil schemes...and even befriends President Franklin Delano Roosevelt! She finds a new home and family in billionaire, Oliver Warbucks, his personal secretary, Grace Farrell, and a lovable mutt named Sandy.

January 9 – Singing – Music Room

By appointment ONLY ~ sign-up sheet outside Mrs. Johnson's room (EVERYONE <u>MUST</u> sign up for an audition time)

Interested in Ensemble/Chorus – 3:00-3:45pm Interested in Speaking Roles/Leads – 3:45-6:00pm

January 10 – Cold Readings – Mrs. Johnson's room (207)

3:15-6:00pm (selections from the script – audition sides are available from Mrs. Johnson)

January II – Call-Backs – Music Room

3:15-5:30pm – Students whose names appear on the Call-Back List will be asked to sing 16 bars of a pre-selected song from Annie (See Ms. Staehr or Mrs. Johnson regarding which songs)

Things to Know for the Vocal Audition:

LEAD ROLES: Students interested in auditioning for a lead role must sing a section of a prepared song (16 measures), highlighting his/her vocal range. It may be a song from Broadway musical, a song from the hymnal, or anything in between. <u>Students are required to bring the sheet music for the accompanist or a karaoke CD—singing without music is not allowed</u>. Students will also sing scales and complete a pitch test.

ENSEMBLE (6th- 12th grades): Expect to sing scales and complete a pitch test.

Performance Dates

May 3 & 4 at 7:30pm, May 5 at 3:00pm (and a Dinner Theatre on May 2) Questions? Please see Mrs. Johnson or Ms. Staehr.

If unable to attend auditions due to athletic practices/games, see Mrs. Johnson <u>before</u> January 9th. **Rehearsals will begin February 12th. Information regarding the rehearsal schedule will be** distributed during auditions. (NOTE: Winter athletes will join us as soon as the season is over.)