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**Dexter, Missouri** - The first ever Musical Theatre Camp for grades second - sixth was held the week of June 6th - 10th. Approximately 40 beautiful voices attended the camp.

The students were divided into 4 different casts and they learned Scene 1 from the musical "Annie Jr."

The youngsters learned their lines by Tuesday and they also learned three songs. Each camper had a special job and they learned how to stage a scene and move on the stage. Projection of voice was also a big topic of the week. They learned how to work together as a cast to create the story and portray their characters.

"The week would not have gone as smooth if it had not been for my high school musical student who came to be counselors," stated choir director Jamie Sepulvado. "Erica Parris, James Robinson, Makayla Pyle, Brittany Gibson, and Cassidy Bess have been here all week. Jon Rodgers, Josh Sitze, Meg Simmons, Angel Maze, and Andrew Teel were also here a couple days to help. I also want to thank Mrs. Christian for being here all week with me as another set of adult eyes!"

"The campers this week have exceeded my expectations," commented Mrs. Sepulvado. "They are a very talented group of kids. On day 1 they gave me 110% and didn't let up all week. I am very proud of them and the future of my musicals is bright with these kids!"

The Dexter High School show this year will be "The Wizard of Oz" and Mrs. Sepulvado will need 5 or more younger students to play the munchkins. Mrs. Sepulvado noted that the camp was a huge success and she has enjoyed working with all of the students.

Below are the awards presented at the end of the camp:

Cast 1:

Best Attitude: Hunner Kyle, Best Voice: Carly Long, Funniest: Kylan Moore, Sweetest Sweet Tart: Lucy Thornton and Senna Churchill, Growth Award: Amber Madigan, Most Musical: Sofia Gibson, Extra Mile Award: Meredith Benton, Best Smile: Amber Madigan, Best Acting: Kylan Moore, Friendliest: Sofia Gibson, Easy-Going Award: Serina Churchill, Jolly Rancher: Meredith Benton, Best Listener: Lucy Thornton, Most Spirited: Carly Long, Most Polite: Hunner Kyle.

Cast 2:

Best Voice and Best Attitude: Lydia Christian, Best Voice and Best Acting: Cassie Bess, Funniest and Most Musical: Cheyenne Austin, Sweetest and Best Listener: Isabella Pittman, Most Happy and Sweetest: Alisha Pittman, Funniest and Most Spirited: Cameron Bell, Most Musical and Best Acting: Tatum Taylor, Growth Award and best Attitude: Makenzie Kirkpatrick, Easy going Award and Best Listener: Brooklyn Bennett, Easy Going Award and Best Voice: Klaire Essner.

Cast 3:

Best Attitude: Brooke Lasater, Best Voice: Emma Sadler, Funniest: Marissa Wallace, Sweetest Sweet Tart: Andre Hernandez, Growth Award: Anistin Kyle, Most Musical: Grace Sepulvado, Extra Mile Award: Marissa Wallace, Best Smile: Michellie Currie, Best Acting: Grace Sepulvado, Friendliest: Mia Williams, Easy Going Award: Brooke Lasater, Jolly Rancher: Michellie Currie, Best Listener: Emma Sadler, Most Spirited; Emma Worley, Most Polite Emma Worley, Best Facial Expressions: Mia Williams, Best Stage Presence: Anistin Kyle, Most Animated: Andre Hernandez.

Cast 4:

Best Attitude: Luke Gentry, Best Voice: Abrianna McPherson, Sweetest: Ava Schaefer, Growth Award: Avery Riley, Most Musical: Abrianna McPherson, Extra Mile Award: Allie Lee and Alexis Bennett, Funniest: Abrianna Frazier, Best Smile: Luke Gentry and Ava Schaefer, Best Acting: Abrianna Frazier, Friendliest: Katarrah Churchill, Jolly Rancher: Avery Riley, Best Listener: Katarrah Churchill, Most Spirited: Alexis Bennett and Allie Lee.

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