

**Vanguard High School VHS PLAYERS
Thespian Troupe #1003**

Dear parents:

Your child will be attending the 2017 State Thespian Conference in Tampa Bay, March 15-18, 2017 at the Convention Center and Straz Performing Arts Center. This is the week of Spring Break and they **will not** miss school. If you plan on coming down for a day or two, the day passes are \$40 in advance and \$50 the day of the festival. *Day passes DO NOT include entry to the ticketed events of Opening and Closing ceremonies and Mainstage performances.*

Attached you will find all registration forms and information. Please review this material with your child, complete the **forms** and have your child return them to me **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, January 6th, 2017.** Late registrations will not be accepted as it will cause a delay for our entire troupe's registration.

Their **payment** will be due **no later than Friday, February 3rd, 2017.** Checks should be made payable to VANGUARD HIGH SCHOOL. Please be aware that the total payment is **Non-Refundable.**

Breakdown of costs for the State Festival are as follows:

Each individual student registration is	\$140.00/pp
Hotel Cost for each student.....	\$130.00/pp
Troupe Participation Fee.....	\$10.00/pp
Total.....	\$280.00/pp

Optional Fees:

Adult day passes are**\$41.00/day**
(they will be **\$50.00 the day of** the festival and only the sponsor can purchase them)

Daily Schedule: Will be available closer to our departure in March. When they become available, it will be posted on the webpage, and distributed at the next VHS Players meeting.

Meals: I will be setting up reservations for some lunches and most dinners. Once that is done, I will post links to menus on the webpage for you and your child to peruse and get an idea of how much they will spend for each meal. For breakfasts, we recommend buying non-perishable breakfast snacks ahead of time, and having them bring the food with them. The hotel does have a 24 hour pantry available where they can purchase items as well.

Emergencies: Police and security are on duty at all times. If possible, students should report any illness or other emergency to their sponsor or chaperone. Please remember that on the back of every badge is the Florida State Thespian phone number (954) 913-PLAY. When you call this number you will reach conference officials.

Chaperones: Students must always be with a chaperone, especially when walking in downtown Tampa. While at the Convention Center, students will be allowed to break into groups of NO LESS than 3 and a cell phone, to attend workshops and/or IE's without a chaperone, but must remain in the Convention Center. *If found violating those rules, the parent will be called and they will be sent home.*

Chaperone Phone Numbers:
Sarah LeBeau 352-895-4979

Shane Bass 352-286-5062

Hotel Rooms: Will be staying at the **Barrymore Hotel**, located at 111 W Fortune Street. Student and adult male delegates will not be allowed in the hotel rooms of student female delegates. Student and adult female delegates will not be allowed in the hotel rooms of student male delegates.

Curfew: all delegates (students and adults alike) will be required to be in their assigned hotel rooms by the curfew. At curfew time no one is to receive deliveries of any kind; no one is to leave their rooms. "Lights out" (quiet hours) will commence at the time set in the Daily Schedule with all exterior hotel room doors secured to insure the safety of all delegates. Student delegates arriving after the curfew will report to their sponsor/chaperone. Students missing curfew will be required to meet with their sponsor or chaperone and the security personnel the next day at 8:00 am. Extra security arranged by the Conference will take badges of any student arriving or leaving after curfew.

Badges: Badges MUST be worn to all Festival activities. This includes admission to Opening and Closing Ceremonies, Mainstage shows, one act plays, workshops, individual events, showcases, and the closing dance. If you lose a badge, a duplicate can be obtained at the registration desk for \$10.00. Replacement badges must be purchased by the sponsor.

Dress Code: As always your school dress code applies. If your attire is not deemed reasonable for a theatre performance you may be asked to leave the theatre. You will not be readmitted until you change into something more appropriate.

Photography: Although you are encouraged to take as many pictures as you'd like to help you remember your time at our Festival, photography of any kind is NOT PERMITTED during any Individual Event, One Act, or Mainstage Production. ABSOLUTELY NO VIDEOTAPING is permitted during any of those events.

If you have any additional questions, check out our webpage at www.vhs-players.com/state or email me at sarah.lebeau@marion.k12.fl.us.

Sincerely,



Sarah LeBeau
Thespian Troupe Director

DAY PASS ORDER FORM

Day passes are \$40 if accompanied with your registration and \$50 at the festival. Please plan ahead and order all the passes you will need to avoid paying \$50! Everyone attending the festival must have a badge or a day pass. Day passes *WILL NOT* be allowed to attend opening or closing ceremonies, and Mainstage performances.

Troupe: #1003

Student: _____

Number of day passes for Wednesday: _____ x \$41.00 = \$ _____
Total

Number of day passes for Thursday: _____ x \$41.00 = \$ _____
Total

Number of day passes for Friday: _____ x \$41.00 = \$ _____
Total

Number of day passes for Saturday: _____ x \$41.00 = \$ _____
Total

Number of day passes for the day my child performs: _____ x \$41.00 = \$ _____
Total

Please write down your email address so I can contact you if I have any questions about your day pass selections:

_____.

Student _____

FINAL INVOICE

___1___ # of participants x \$280.00 = \$ 280.00

_____ # of day passes x \$41.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

By signing this form, you agree to pay the total amount listed above. Also, you understand that this total amount is non-refundable.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Print Name: _____

Please keep page 1 for your reference.

Please turn in pages 3-4, BEFORE

January 6th, 2017.

Non-Refundable Payment will be due no later than Friday,

February 3rd, 2017

Make checks payable to: VANGUARD HIGH SCHOOL.