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Auditions

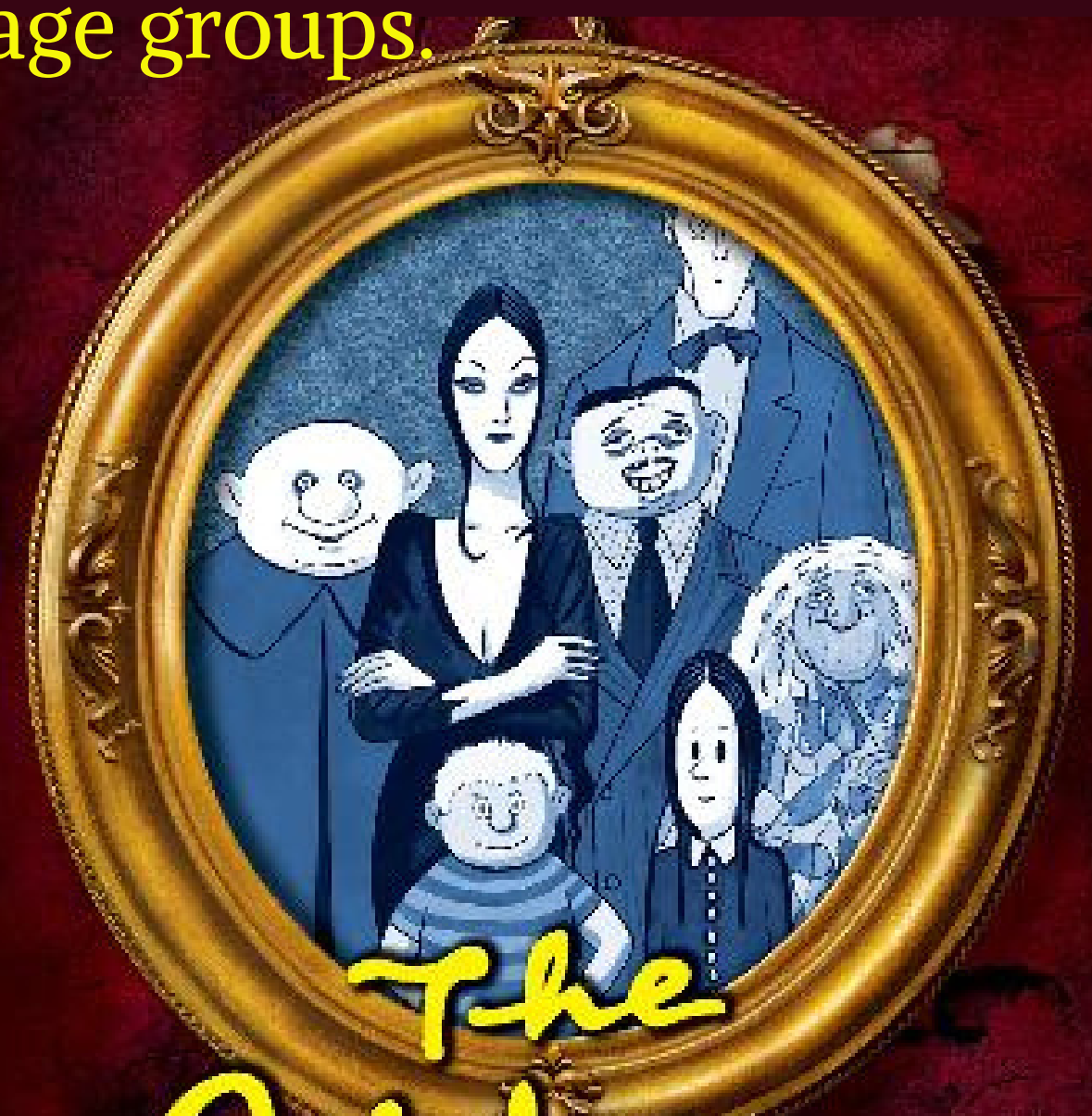


The
**Addams
Family**
SCHOOL EDITION
MUSICAL

Overview

THE ADDAMS FAMILY, a comical feast that embraces the wackiness in every family, features an original story and it's every father's nightmare: Wednesday Addams, the ultimate princess of darkness, has grown up and fallen in love with a sweet, smart young man from a respectable family—a man her parents have never met. And if that wasn't upsetting enough, Wednesday confides in her father and begs him not to tell her mother. Now, Gomez Addams must do something he's never done before—keep a secret from his beloved wife, Morticia. Everything will change for the whole family on the fateful night they host a dinner for Wednesday's “normal” boyfriend and his parents.

THE ADDAMS FAMILY School Edition has been adapted from the original Off-Broadway Production. The School Edition has been carefully edited, to make it suitable for all age groups.



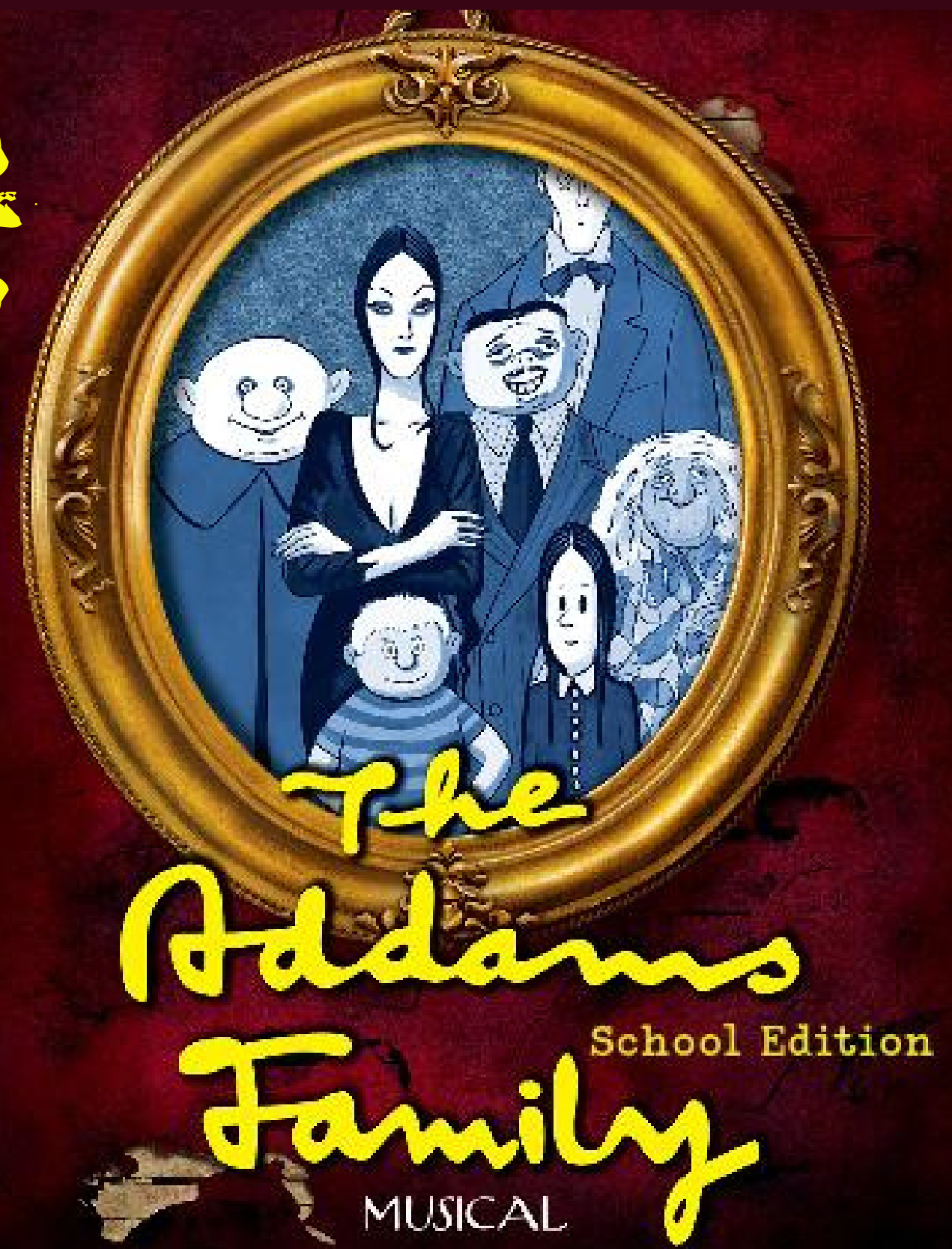
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Who are we looking for

Dancers only

Actors only

Musical Theatre triple threats

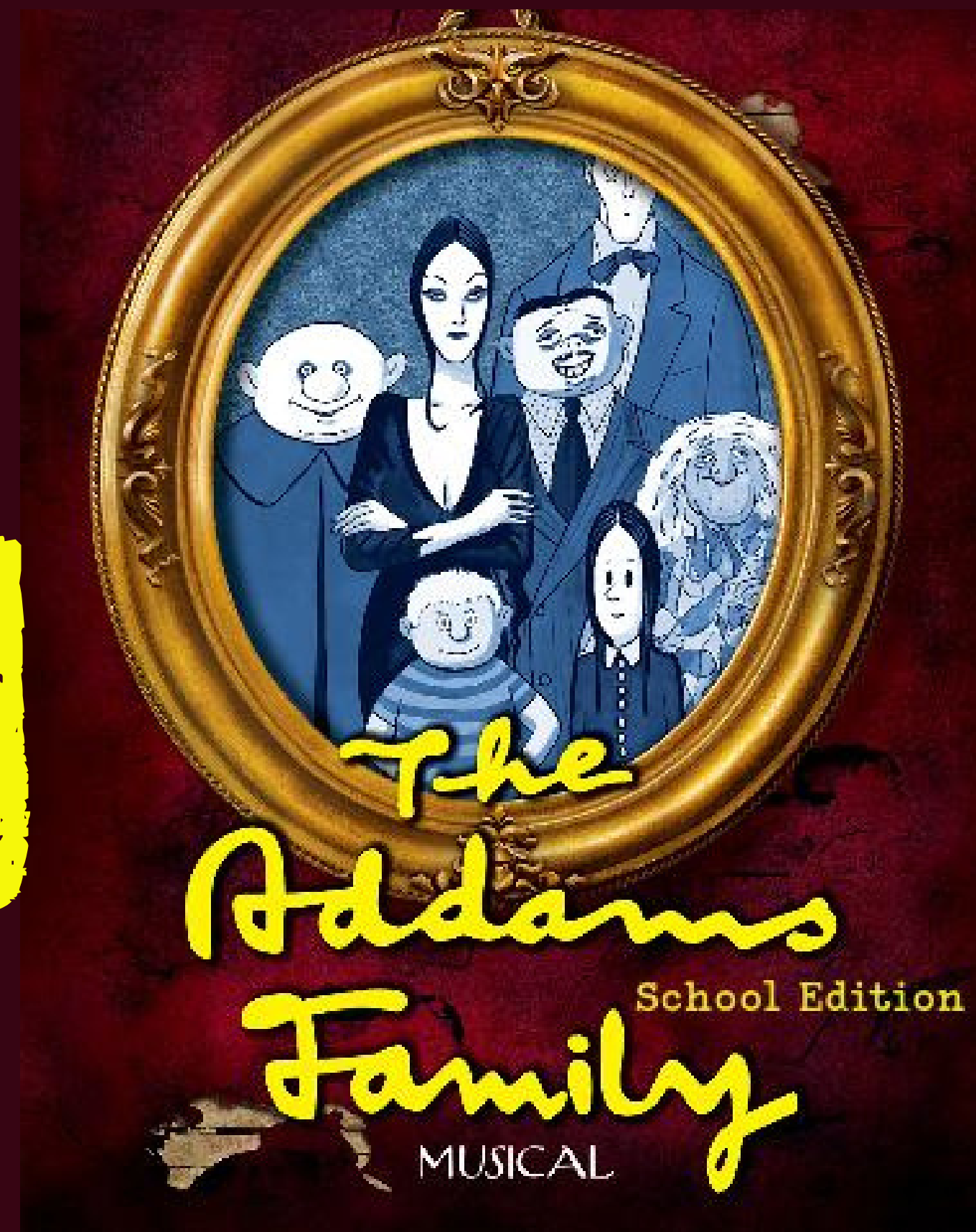


Ages:

10-25 years

Anyone can audition from across Dorset

Double Casting



Gomez Addams

Morticia Addams

Uncle Fester

Grandma

Wednesday Addams

Pugsley Addams

Lurch

Mal Beineke

Alice Beineke

Lucas Beineke

The Addams Ancestors –

5m, 5w

Ensemble

Who is who?

Morticia Addams

Character's Gender: Female

Character's Age: Adult

Morticia is the real 'head' of the Addams family, the matriarch. She is concerned her husband is hiding something and will use all her wiles and tactics to lure his secret out. An easy comedic actress with dry wit. She is glamorous; witty... and given to low-keyed rhapsodies about her garden of deadly nightshade, henbane, and dwarf's hair. Although it may seem that Gomez has the most say in family dealings, Morticia's influence over him proves that she's the one in charge. Elegant and gorgeous, Morticia sees only the good in everyone and comes off as wiser for doing so.

A strong dancer / mover with alto / mezzo soprano vocals.

Must be a good dancer, have natural comedic timing, and sing well.

Who is who?

Wednesday Addams

Character's Gender: Female

Character's Age: Teen

The goth teenage daughter of Gomez and Morticia, Wednesday leads with a dark cloud exterior, but deep down she has her father's heart and her mother's dry wit and sensibility. Wednesday finds love with a "normal" boy (Lucas) and wants to introduce his family to hers. She is stuck between sticking with the traditions of the Addams family and moving forward with her relationship. Experiences the youthful drama that comes with first love – and will do just about anything to get her way! Her dry sense of humour is reminiscent of her mother but sometimes gives way into the manic episodes that show her humanity.

Strong Soprano/Mezzo-Soprano, with pop belt vocals.

A good sense for sarcasm.

Who is who?

Grandmama

Character's Gender: Female/Male

Character's Age: Old

Grandmama Addams is a kooky elder, a feisty 102-year-old woman. Fun and quirky, but don't mess with Grandma. This disrespectful old hag is the mother of Gomez... she willingly helps with the dishes, cheats at solitaire and is roughly dishonest... foolishly good-natured... fumbling, weak character... is easily fooled. Grandma acts as the wise, if sometimes wacky, sage of the family. She helps Pugsley through his problems, and has a crass sense of humor.

This is a great role for a comedic actress with strong character acting and character vocal.

Who is who?

Pugsley Addams

Character's Gender: Male/Female

Character's Age: Child

Wednesday's little brother, Pugsley is a danger-seeking, charming, funny, boy – who loves being tortured by his sister. Wednesday's relationship with Lucas has left Pugsley with separation anxiety. He wants to ensure he won't lose Wednesday to her new boyfriend so he takes matters into his own hands. An energetic monster of a boy... and a dedicated troublemaker.

Strong, high vocals.

This role is sometimes played by a girl because of the high tenor vocals. Best suited for unchanged male voices or females voices.

Who is who?

Gomez Addams

Character's Gender: Male

Character's Age: Adult

The father of the Addams family. Gomez takes great pride in his family and revels in all it means to be an "Addams." He struggles with having to keep his daughter's secret from his wife, whom he adores more than death. He is pulled in different directions in order to appease them both. Smart, comedic actor with tenor vocals. Husband to Morticia, if indeed they are married at all... a crafty schemer, but also a jolly man in his own way... though sometimes misguided... sentimental and often puckish – optimistic, he has full enthusiasm for his dreadful plots... is sometimes seen in a rather formal dressing gown.

Must have great comedic timing and a strong baritone singing voice. Should also be a good dancer. Spanish accent is a big plus.

Who is who?

Uncle Fester Addams

Character's Gender: Male/Female

Character's Age: Uncertain

The narrator of the show, Uncle Fester serves as the musical's narrator. He is larger than life, an energetic, joyous, child-like presence. A vaudeville style comedian with tenor vocals. Uncle Fester is incorrigible and except for the good nature of the family and the ignorance of the police, would ordinarily be under lock and key... the eyes are pig-like and deeply embedded... he likes to fish, but usually employs dynamite... he keeps falcons on the roof which he uses for hunting... his one costume, summer and winter is a black great coat with an enormous collar... a total character.

Vocal Range; C3 – G4 full voice

Must have a great sense of vaudevillian humor and comic timing, plus a strong tenor/baritone singing voice.

Ukulele skills are a plus!

Who is who?

Alice Beineke

Character's Gender: Female

Character's Age: Adult

Mother of Lucas, devoted to her family so she puts aside her own desires. A typical suburban mom with typical suburban mom problems. Because of a cold relationship with her husband Mal, she has refocused her love on Lucas. She is prone to speaking in rhyme when upset. While at the Addams Family dinner party, she drinks a potion that causes her to let her hair down and speak her truth.

Soprano.

Comedic actress with soprano / belt vocals.

Who is who?

Mal Beineke

Character's Gender: Male

Character's Age: Adult

Mal is Lucas' stuffy father and an exasperated husband to his rhyming wife, Alice. A typical conservative suburban father that's cynical of life and especially the Addams family. Always looking out for his family. Has difficulty accepting his reality and pretends to be better than others. At one time he was a follower of The Grateful Dead but has lost that side of himself.

Male actor with high baritone / tenor vocals.

Who is who?

Lucas Beineke

Character's Gender: Male/Female

Character's Age: Teen

A hopeful romantic and the son of Mal and Alice Beineke, Lucas is the 'average' young man who has fallen in love with Wednesday Addams and plans to marry her. The epitome of the love-torn teenager, Lucas experiences the youthful pain and drama of young love and struggles with the differences between his family and the Addams family. He writes poetry and appears to be a traditionalist, but he harbors an unexpected crazy and dark side, and appreciates the macabre... which is why he gets along so well with the Addamses.

Must be a great pop/rock singer. Tenor/Baritone.

(Musical theatre tenor with some of this upper range in head voice)

Who is who?

Lurch

Character's Gender: Male/Female

Character's Age: Uncertain

Lurch is the Addams family butler, who knows all the family secrets. A man of very few words, Lurch mostly responds in drawn out moans, groans and grunts — without becoming a cartoon version of himself. His movement is always very slow.

Must be a bass with a good singing voice for a small comic bit at the end.

Must have great non-verbal story-telling abilities (think: facial expressions and sound).



Who is who?

Ancestors – Esemble

Character's Gender: Various

Character's Age: Various

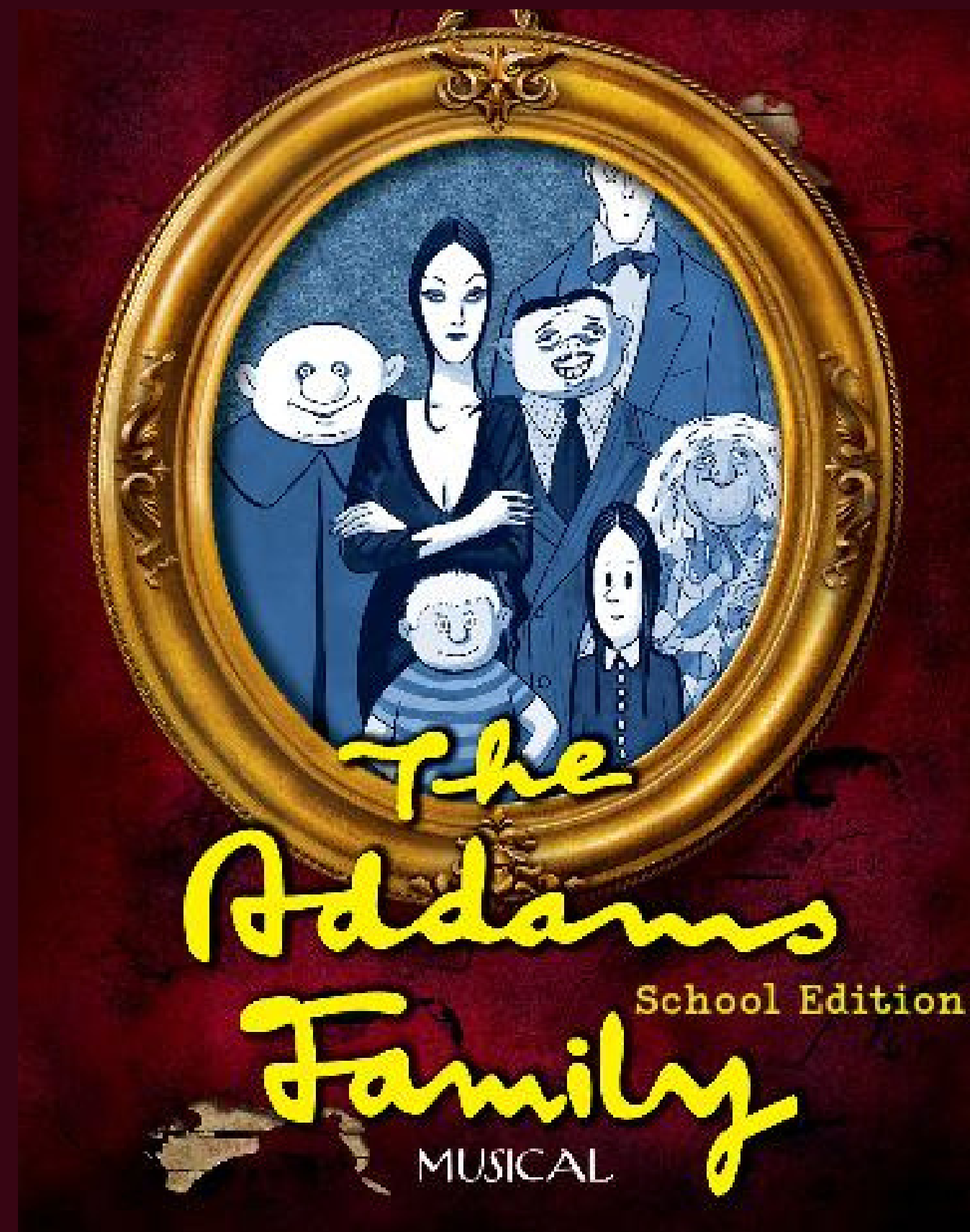
All chorus members will be assigned an Addams Family Ancestor "character" and therefore have their own cameo character to play. Examples of the Ancestor characters are Bride, Groom, Stewardess, Saloon Girl, Flapper, Pilgrim, Conquistador, Caveman, Cavewoman, Soldier, Sailor, etc.

The ensemble has a very important role in The Addams Family. As descendants of the Addams lineage from various eras and locales, the Addams ancestors act as a backup chorus for multiple scenes and numbers.

Ensemble members should be talented singers, good character actors, and should be able to move well as dancers, as the ensemble will be required to dance in many songs. Various vocal ranges.

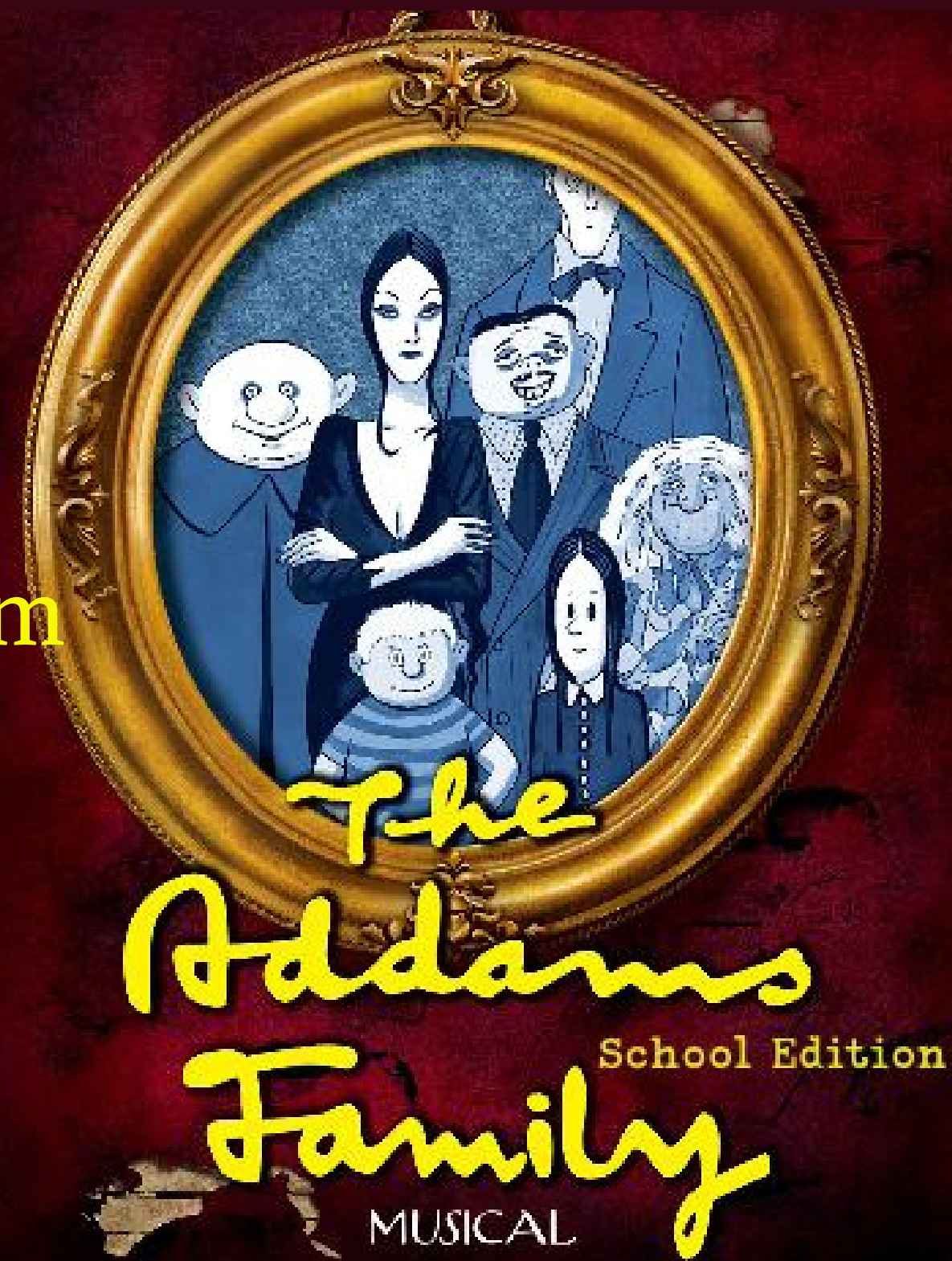
Songs

1. Overture – Addams Theme
2. When You're An Addams
3. Fester's Manifesto
4. Two Things
5. Wednesday's Growing Up
6. Trapped
7. Pulled
8. One Normal Night
9. Secrets
10. Gomez's What If
11. What If
12. Full Disclosure Part 1
13. Waiting
14. Full Disclosure Part 2
15. Just Around the Corner
16. The Moon and Me
17. Happy Sad
18. Crazier Than You
19. Not Today
20. Let's Live Before We Die
21. Finale: Move Toward the Darkness



Audition

- Please pick a monologue to perform from the PDF
- Please pick one of the songs from the Addams family soundtrack above. Please only learn one verse and chorus. If we need to hear more we will ask on the day of the audition. Please find the backing tracks for the song on YouTube. You will not be allowed to sing with the vocals.
- Dance audition will also take place on the day. If you are not a dancer and do not wish to audition as one, you will just be asked to watch.



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Matilda
THE MUSICAL JR.

THE NEXT GENERATION
SCHOOL of ROCK
THE MUSICAL

ROALD DAHL'S
CHARLIE
AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

