



May 15, 2019

To: Dr. Riggle, Superintendent
Board of Education

Fr: Karen Geddeis

Re: Glenbrook Stories – May 20, 2019

MEMO

Our Glenbrook Stories segment on May 20 will feature GBS senior Emma Isaacs who is an integral member of the stage crew and most recently worked as the stage manager for the Glenbrook Musical Mamma Mia.

As the stage manager, Emma commanded the entire musical. She was responsible for calling the show, which means reading and cuing all of the sound effects, lighting, and scene changes throughout the performance.

While the cast has months to learn their lines, stage crew gets only one week. They arrive during Tech Week and have to pick up on new lighting techniques, technology and scene changes very quickly.

This Glenbrook Story is literally, a unique behind the scenes look at the Glenbrook Musical. Like an air traffic controller, the stage manager is responsible for the entire movement of the show, and while the work is perhaps the least seen on a theater production, it is one of the most vital.