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International Thespian Society Chartered at St. Michael School

St Michael School is excited to incorporate the “International Junior Thespian Society” program into their drama department this year. This program was created in 1929 by the Educational Theatre Association with the goal to honor student achievement in the arts. There are more than two million students who have achieved this honor, including notable celebrities Julia Louis Dreyfus, Madonna, and Tom Hanks. St. Michael School is proud to have already added fourteen students to that list in its inaugural year. As a result, St. Michael School has chartered a Thespian Society troupe and Kathleen O’Rawe Clabby, St. Michael’s drama teacher, is the troupe director who oversees and guides the students.

A student achieves the honor of being in the Thespian Society by earning points through the following ways: excelling in class, taking on extra duties, and attending or performing in theatre productions outside of school. St. Michael’s Thespian Society participants are establishing their bylaws and have elected the following officials: Emily Hodges, President; Christina Donovan, Vice President; Kaeli Beaver, Secretary; and Veronica Lavelle, Treasurer. The group meets weekly and is currently rehearsing to perform at the first “Lunch and the Arts” on November 17th. In addition, the Thespian Society students will also be performing throughout the year at school functions and will serve as mentors to the 7th grade drama students this spring.

The Thespian Society provides students with the opportunity to practice their crafts, grow as people, develop communication and leadership skills, and take pride in the privilege and recognition that comes with being members of an international honor society. Congratulations to the following St. Michael students who are members of the International Junior Thespian Society: Emily Hodges, Veronica Lavelle, Savannah Lips, Hannah Moore, Brandon Bales, Conor Smith, Tim O’Donnell, Nicholas Teder, Christina Donovan, Alaina Norzagaray, Kaeli Beaver, Sam Hamashima, Catherine Graff, and Maite Molina.

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