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### Ashwaubenon High School Recognized in All Four Center Stage Categories

**Ashwaubenon, WI – May 29, 2020** – Ashwaubenon High School has been recognized by the Center Stage High School Musical Theater Program for their production of *Les Misérables*. Throughout the 2019-20 school year, 23 local high schools participated in the Center Stage High School Musical Theater Program, an education initiative of the Fox Cities Performing Arts Center that celebrates and supports the achievements of high school theater programs in Northeastern Wisconsin.

During the program year, participating students had the opportunity to attend workshops with professional artists at the Fox Cities Performing Arts Center and had the opportunity to ask questions and explore different aspects of theater, giving them a deeper understanding of live performing arts.

A team of trained adjudicators attended the participating school's musical production and provided educational feedback. Scores for each production were tabulated and the top qualifiers were recognized in a virtual Center Stage High School Musical Theater Program Showcase on May 24.

Ashwaubenon received recognition in all four categories, including:

- Outstanding Overall Production for *Les Misérables*
- Outstanding Ensemble for *Les Misérables*
- Outstanding Performance by a Lead Actress awarded to Madeline Miner as Eponine in *Les Misérables*
- Outstanding Performance by a Lead Actor awarded to Sam Calaway as Monsieur Thenardier in *Les Misérables*

The community is encouraged to celebrate the successes of local high school musical theater programs on Saturday, June 6 at 7 p.m. WFRV Local 5 will air a one hour special about the Center Stage Program.

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