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WEST ALLEGHENY PRESENTS "BIG, THE MUSICAL"

West Allegheny School District will present the comedy "big, the musical" as its 2010 spring musical production with three performances at Burgettstown High School: Friday, March 26, 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 27, 1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. The show dates have been changed from those printed on the district 2009-2010 activities calendar (March 12-14 and 19-20). The Gold Card Luncheon previously scheduled for Sunday, March 14, 2010, has also been cancelled. These changes were necessary due to the delay in the completion of the renovation of the auditorium at West Allegheny High School.

On Broadway in 1996, 'big, the musical' is a musical adaptation of the 1988 Tom Hanks film 'Big.' It involves a 12-year-old boy, Josh Baskin, who grows up overnight after being granted a wish by a "Zoltar Speaks" machine at a carnival. With the aid of his best friend, Josh must cope with his new adulthood while searching for another "Zoltar" machine so that he can wish himself a kid again. Meagan Bruno and Tom Snyder return as director and producer, respectively.

Rehearsals are underway with this year's leads cast as follows: Scott McConnell as Josh Baskin, Derrick Shane as George MacMillan, Elizabeth Monks as Susan Lawrence and Jessie Crawford as Mrs. Baskin. Eighth graders selected for the 'kid leads' include Ty Tracy as Young Josh, Ryan Borgo as Billy and Maria Jones as Cindy.

Tickets will be available at the high school office beginning on February 22 at \$10 - adults and \$5 - senior citizens, West Allegheny Gold Card holders, and students. For information, contact Tom Snyder, Arts Coordinator, at 724-695-5269 or by email at [tsnyder@westallegheny.k12.pa.us](mailto:tsnyder@westallegheny.k12.pa.us).

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