

TOTAL DRAMA



1. Sophie Nims '21 recites her scene while stretching Jan 28.
2. Senior Charlie Duffy freestyling his monologue for practice. "Three words to describe SPIT are chill, fun and comfortable. I think it being student led adds a lot of comfortability within rehearsals, and with that definitely creates some more out there comedy that only occurs in a group of high schoolers lacking adult supervision," Duffy said.
3. Sierra Frisvold '23, Maggy Owen '22, Zoe Nolte '22 and Emma Barker '22 practice their lockdown drill scene in the drama play Jan 28. "I've been in plays since I was 10, so I thought this would be a fun way to do more acting," Frisvold said.
4. Charlie Duffy '21, Sam Nester '21, Niles Granfield '24 and Tess DeGrazia '23 play the warm-up game "Big Booty" with the rest of their comedy cast Jan 28. *All photos by Cameron Reimers*



7. Sam Nester '21 holds his composure while Ryann Culver '21 and the directors laugh after breaking character during their bickering scene Jan 28. "During rehearsal we all have an amazing time, and sometimes it feels like we never stop laughing except during the serious scenes," Nester said.
8. Senior comedy directors Grace Brokaw and Schuyler Houston explain the blocking of a scene to a group of their cast members Jan 28.
9. Evan Zukin '22 and Maggy Owen '22 practice their scene in the drama play. "We're doing a show about a school shooting and pulling up the actual emotion and fear that would be present is difficult to try and match," Zukin said.

IN THE LIMELIGHT



"MY FAVORITE MEMORY FROM SPIT IS PLAYING IMPROV GAMES WITH THE CAST AND DIRECTORS."

SOPHIE NIMS '21



"MY FAVORITE GAME TO PLAY WITH THE CAST IS BIG BOOTY. IT'S HARD TO EXPLAIN, BUT IT IS SO MUCH FUN."

SAMANTHA CROCO '22



"[DRAMA] IS JUST AS FUN AS COMEDY, AND IT'S NICE BEING ABLE TO TRY OUT ACTING MORE SERIOUS SCENES."

EMMA BARKER '22



"MY FAVORITE PART IS DEFINITELY GETTING TO WATCH THE WHOLE SHOW COME TOGETHER AND GETTING TO COLLABORATE."

KATIE RUPPENKAMP '21



"TYPICALLY WE'LL REHEARSE WITH OUR SCRIPTS FIRST, THEN MOVE OFF BOOK."

ANDREAS WARREN '24



RYANN CULVER TALKS TO HER DIRECTORS DURING A SCENE WHERE SHE ARGUES WITH FELLOW CAST MEMBERS.

RYANN CULVER '21



"I LOVE LEARNING AND BECOMING A BETTER ACTOR. I'LL REMEMBER THE AMAZING PEOPLE WHO CARE ABOUT IT."

HELENIPA STEPHENS '23

STUDENT PRODUCED INNOVATIVE THEATRE



Niyati Deshpande '21, Emma Barker '22, Jarrett Hinrichs '24, Samantha Croco '22



Evan Zukin '22, Jarrett Hinrichs '24

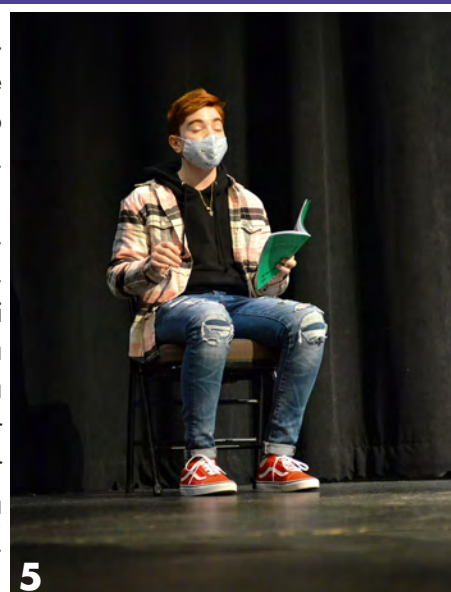


Niyati Deshpande '21



Zoe Nolte '22, Emma Barker '22, Jarrett Hinrichs '24, Samantha Croco '22

5. Niles Granfield '24 recites his lines at the beginning of practice to get into character Jan 28.



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6. Maggy Owen '22, Sierra Frisvold '23, Zoe Nolte '22, Niyati Deshpande '21, Samantha Croco '22 and Emma Barker '22 listen to their director's notes after their run through of the drama play Jan 27.



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DRAMA DIRECTOR
SENIOR DRAMA DIRECTOR SEAN HARKEN HAS BEEN A PART OF THEATRE WEST ALL FOUR YEARS OF HIGH SCHOOL. HE CHOSE TO BE A DIRECTOR OF SPIT FOR HIS FOURTH YEAR.

DRAMA DIRECTOR
"I'VE ALWAYS LOVED STAGE MANAGING AND ASSISTANT DIRECTING, AND WHEN I GOT THE OPPORTUNITY TO DIRECT, I KNEW I HAD TO TRY FOR IT."
- SARAH DICKENS '21

COMEDY DIRECTOR
"I WANTED TO BE A SPIT DIRECTOR TO BE ABLE TO GIVE BACK TO THE PROGRAM I GAINED SO MUCH FROM."
- SCHUYLER HOUSTON '21

COMEDY DIRECTOR
"MY FAVORITE PART ABOUT SPIT BOTH FROM AN ACTOR AND A DIRECTOR'S STANDPOINT IS THE AMOUNT OF CREATIVE FREEDOM YOU HAVE."
- GRACE BROKAW '21