A note from Mrs. Pitner about Company & our new "Jr. Company." **Please read!**

Hello everyone!

I cannot say it enough – I am SO proud of all of you for the amazing auditions you did this week. Each of you has grown so much since the beginning of the year and it was evident in your auditions! Each of you did extremely well. Your talent, hard work, and fantastic personalities were on full display. I feel incredibly blessed to be your director! You should **all** feel incredibly proud of yourselves – I am.

As you know, I can only select a small number for our Company class. Because I feel that all of you are ready for "the next level," I am creating a Jr. Company class. Much like sports have Junior Varsity teams, I feel that we are ready to have a place for students who are right on the cusp of making it into Company Theatre.

My goals for this course:

- Create a performance-intensive space where students can consistently hone their skills as actors
- Give personalized feedback on a more regular basis in a smaller class setting
- Allow students to have additional outside of class performance opportunities
- Allow for Jr. Company members to attend AZ Thespian Festival in November to take workshops and see shows

This course will be offered first semester. It will be listed as Theatre III on your transcript, but I will consider it Jr. Company. I am excited to offer this opportunity as I believe that being able to perform consistently and receive feedback will truly prepare the next generation of Company members. This is only possible because you all have helped build this amazing program!

For those in Jr. Company – you will need to contact your counselor about scheduling, as this is technically a semester-long course. I have another Theatre III course being offered in the spring that you are welcome to join if you would like a year-long theatre course. Otherwise, this could be a great opportunity to take another semester elective like Dance for Theatre. Or you can take Health if you need that! Your counselors are happy to talk options with you. Please send them an email or set up a time to talk on the phone with them.

Congratulations to all of you for your acceptance into Company or "JV" Company. I am excited to continue to work with each of you next year on our creative projects! <u>Click here</u> to view the list for next year's Company and Jr. Company courses. Thank you!