

Honk Jr.

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The drama department here at Oak Hills is one of our most defining branches. These talented students and faculty members work tirelessly for months on end to put on an absolutely fantastic show for the public. The first show this season, called Honk Jr. is the MTE Performance of the show. “MTE” stands for Musical Theater Ensemble, which is an elective you can sign up for at Oak Hills. Mama P, director of the show and teacher for this class, said, “Musical Theater Ensemble is a class specifically designed to give students the opportunity to learn how to put up a production from all sides of the process.” Typically, this show comes later in the show season. However, this year it is the opener for the 2019-2020 season.



The musical is a spin on the classic tale of the Ugly Duckling. For those who are unfamiliar, the story follows the life of a duckling who doesn't look the same as his brothers and sisters. The plot launches into action when Ugly wanders off from his home after being



distracted by The Cat, who he has always been warned to stay away from. As he is on his journey back home, he meets characters like Greylag, Dot, The Bullfrog, and Penny. Penny is a swan who ends up being Ugly's love interest. In the end, after facing many near-death experiences, Ugly grows up into a swan, and not a duck.