

# Illinois Theatre Festival-2020

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From: Mr. Rupsis / Mr. Fisher / Ms. Badakhshanian / Ms. Minarich

Date: January 9-11, 2020

Where: Illinois State University, Normal, IL

History of Theatre Fest: The Illinois High School Theatre Festival (IHSTF) is the largest and oldest non-competitive high school theatre festival in the world. The three-day Festival takes place every year in early January, and switches locations between the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and Illinois State University. Over 4,000 students, teachers, university representatives, exhibitors, and volunteers come together to put on over 25 different high school productions and over 150 workshops. Other highlights include college/university auditions for high school seniors, professional development for teachers and the All-State Production, featuring student cast and crew members from across the state.

Hotel: Hyatt Place Bloomington/Normal - 200 Broadway, Normal, IL 61761 – (309) 454-9288

**Price: \$160 (This is a rough estimate. The final cost will be given once we know for sure how many people are going and hotel costs, as well as fundraising results from Boosters)**

**Due Dates: A \$100 nonrefundable deposit is due on September 19 (NO LATE REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED) and the remainder of the money (TBD) is due at the November Thespian Meeting.**

The price will include Registration, Transportation, and Hotel. Food is NOT included. Therefore, students should bring money for 2 lunches and 2 dinners. A continental breakfast will be included at the hotel.

Also, if you would like to buy some official Theatre Fest gear, bring money for that as well. (\$15-\$25)

Preference is generally given to Thespians in good standing before non-Thespians. However, we have yet to hit max capacity in previous years, so this hasn't been an issue.

Please note that Mr. Morrison and Mr. Wayne will both be at TheatreFest as Executive Committee members and can be reached in an emergency.

*I give my student permission to attend the Illinois High School Theatre Festival at Illinois State University on January 9-11, 2020. I also understand that failure to pay the remaining balance by the above deadline may prevent the above student from participating at Theatre Fest and will NOT receive their \$100 deposit in return.*

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Class Level \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guarding signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this paper along with a check of at least \$100 made out to BHS by Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions please contact Mr. Morrison ([morrisondb@vvsd.org](mailto:morrisondb@vvsd.org)) or Mr. Wayne @ ([waynemw@vvsd.org](mailto:waynemw@vvsd.org)) and/or visit the Illinois Theatre Festival website at [www.illinoistheatrefest.org](http://www.illinoistheatrefest.org)