

New Jersey Thespians Board 2025-2026

Governing Board

NJ Chapter Director: Carolyn Little
NJ Chapter Director: Scott Cooney
Treasurer: Carolyn Little
Secretary: Katie Knoblock
High School Festival Director: Jason Wylie
Festival Facility Director: John Stephan
Advocacy Director: Zachery Bates

State Board

STO Coordinator: Dr. Michael Penna
Membership Coordinator: Zachery Bates
Board Relations Coordinator: Jessica Benvenuti
Webmaster: Scott Cooney
Social Media Marketing Team: Carolyn Little, Zachery Bates, Jason Wylie
DEIA Coordinator: Jessica Benvenuti
EdTA Thespys Committee: Zachery Bates
EdTA Production Adjudication Committee: Jason Wylie
EdTA ALN Committee: Zachery Bates

High School Festival Board

NJ Chapter Director: Carolyn Little
NJ Chapter Director: Scott Cooney
High School Festival Director: Jason Wylie
Festival Facility Director: John Stephan
Secretary: Katie Knoblock
STO Coordinator: Dr. Michael Penna
Adjudicator Coordinator: Elisabeth Campbell
Adjudicator Coordinator: Tyler Daddario
Adjudicator Team: John Stephan
Workshop Coordinator: Zachery Bates
Education Programs Coordinator: Alison Sussman
Thespy Coordinator: Scott Cooney
PlayWorks Coordinator: Dr. Jim Devivo
FilmWorks Coordinator: Christopher Stokes
Governors Awards Coordinator: Dr. Michael Penna
Advocacy Director: Zachery Bates
Hospitality Coordinator: Jessica Huch
Technical Events Coordinator: Robert Klimowski
Sponsorship Coordinator: Dr. Jim Devivo
Score Room Coordinator: Scott Cooney
Awards Coordinator: Scott Cooney
Volunteer Coordinator: Gracin Southard
Merchandise Coordinator: ????
Event Load In/Out Supervisor: Robert Klimowski
Opening/ Closing Ceremony Stage Manager: Jessica Benvenuti
Chapter Select Coordinator: Megan Thompson
Registration Team: Jessica Benvenuti and Tori Wilderotter

Junior Festival Board

NJ Chapter Director: Carolyn Little
Junior Festival Director: Lucinda Fisher
Sponsorship Coordinator: Melissa Jackson
Outreach Coordinator: Amy Leso
Guest Artist Coordinator: Zachery Bates
Social Media Coordinator: Nicholas Flagg
Member-at-Large: Joan Schubert

All-State Show Production Team

2026: *A Chorus Line*
Director: Dr. Michael Penna
Vocal Director: George Powers