



Dear Seckinger Theatre and Tech Students, Parents and Caretakers,

This year we are again going to Georgia Thescon! It will be a 3 day, 2 night trip to Columbus, Georgia, February 6-8, 2025. This is when the festival holds its annual high school theatre conference which includes invited performances of plays and musicals by students from throughout the state, enriching and engaging workshops held by industry professionals, and student acting, musical theatre, and technical theatre event competitions.

The conference is held at Columbus State University in venues such as The Columbus Trade Center, The RiverCenter, The Springer Opera House, and the CSU Riverside Theatre. When not actively participating in the conference, students may tour the campus, and enjoy the small downtown of Columbus connected to the campus, with restaurants, bookshops, and more.

We are partnering with Lanier High School Theatre for this trip. There are up to 16 spots available, students staying 4 to a room. The cost is \$450. We will be taking a bus and staying in the nearby hotel Courtyard by Marriott. The price includes hotel room, admission to the festival, Seckinger Theatre or Tech T-Shirt and all meals EXCEPT Thursday's Lunch and Saturday's Dinner.

THERE ARE LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE, WHICH ARE FIRST-COME, FIRST SERVED!

Reserve your spot by submitting 1st \$200 payment and application by September 26th.

Second Payment of \$250 is Due November 7th.

Please feel free to email me with questions. I hope to have your child along for the experience, and look forward to making this a yearly tradition!

Sincerely,

Caroline Sandrew
Theatre Director
Seckinger High School

Georgia Thescon

Itinerary 2025

Subject to Change

Thursday, February 6

BUFORD, GA

7:00am Students meet in the auditorium- Bag Check

8:00am Depart from Seckinger HS
3655 Sardis Church Rd, 30519

LA GRANGE, GA

10:00am Stop for 30 minutes for lunch at LaGrange Mall

1501 Lafayette Pkwy, 30241

10:30am Depart from LaGrange Mall

COLUMBUS, GA

12:00pm Check In for Conference at Columbus Convention and Trade Center
801 Front Ave, 31901

1:30-10:30 Workshops, Performances, Dinner provided (more details TBA)

10:30pm Check in at Courtyard by Marriott

3501 Courtyard Way, Columbus, GA 31909

11:30 Doors Taped SHUT

Friday, February 7th

7:30-8:30 Continental Breakfast

8:30am Depart from Courtyard by Marriott

8:45am Group Photo

9:00am-10:30pm Workshops, Performances, Lunch and Dinner provided (more details TBA)

10:30pm Check in at Courtyard by Marriott

3501 Courtyard Way, Columbus, GA 31909

11:30 Doors Taped SHUT

Saturday, February 8th

7:30-8:30 Continental Breakfast

8:30am Checkout from Courtyard by Marriott

9:00am-6:00pm Workshops, Performances, Lunch provided (more details TBA)

LA GRANGE, GA

7:00pm Stop for 30 minutes for dinner at La Grange Mall

1501 Lafayette Pkwy, 30241

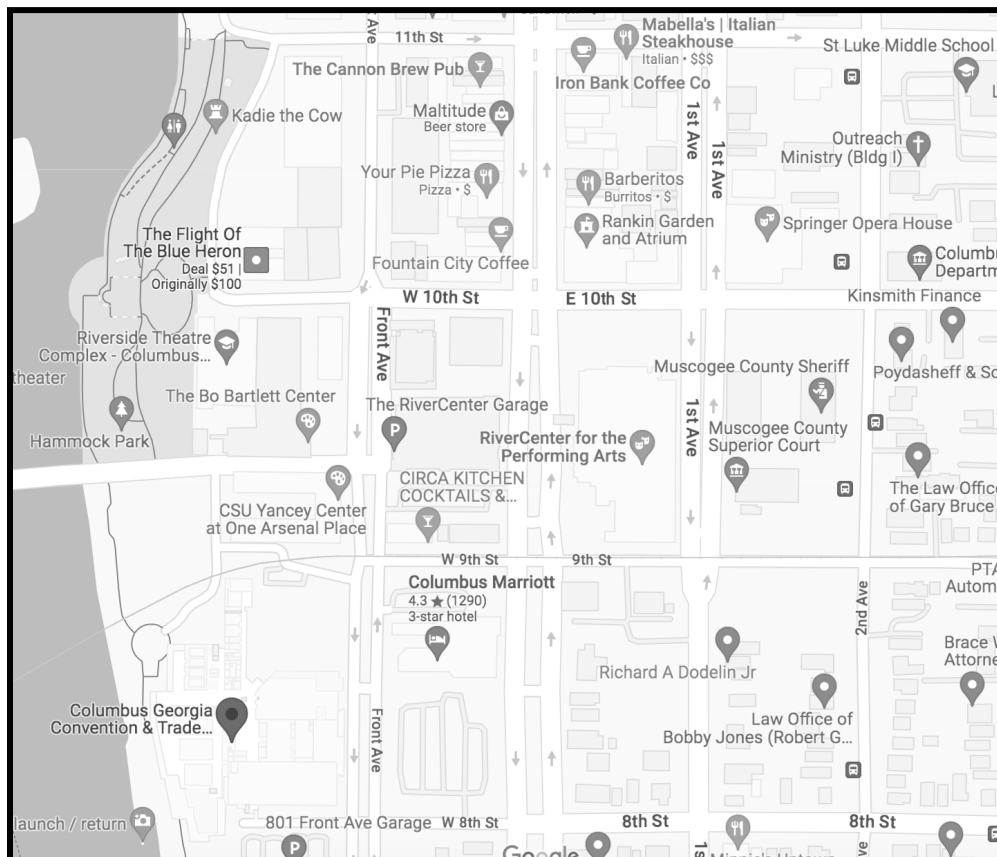
7:30pm Depart from La Grange Mall

BUFORD, GA

10:00pm Arrive at Seckinger HS
3655 Sardis Church Rd, 30519

Hints, Map, and Helpful Info!

- Decide on a bathroom schedule with your roommates to save time at night/in the morning.
- Once the doors are “taped” shut at night- they are SHUT FOR THE NIGHT. If you have an emergency, call Ms. Sandrew. DO NOT open your door.
- No couples are allowed to sit with one another on the bus
- Do not miss check ins or Ms. Sandrew will cry.
- You must attend workshops and watch performances. No loitering around campus or downtown.
 - Share a photo of yourself at each workshop and performance for confirmation.
- Downtown there are bookshops, cute little stores, coffee houses, etc.
- When we check in to the festival on Thursday you will get maps, workshop info, and more!
- Meals:
 - Bring money for lunch Thursday, dinner Saturday, and snacks throughout the weekend,
 - You will get continental breakfast Friday and Saturday.
 - Other lunches and dinners are catered by the conference.
- REQUIRED ATTIRE
 - Thursday wear your 2023-2024 Seckinger Theatre or Tech T-shirt
 - Friday wear your Thespian Hoodie
 - Saturday wear your 2024 Thescon T-Shirt
- Columbus can be COLD and RAINY in February! Layer, bring jackets, hoodies, an umbrella, etc!
- **Make sure we are the BEST BEHAVED and MOST LOVED students at this conference!**



Conference Schedule

The final schedule will be posted on the website before the conference and in the conference programs. This schedule is tentative and may change.

Updated: October 20, 2022

	THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
	YELLOW	BLUE	YELLOW	BLUE	YELLOW	BLUE
9:00-10:30am			Show Session 2 Junior College Auditions	Workshop Session 3 Junior College Auditions	Show Session 5	
10:30am-12:00pm			Lunch Junior College Auditions	Shows Session 2 Junior College Auditions	Workshop Session 7	Show Session 5
12:00-1:30pm	Registration		Workshops Session 4 Junior College Auditions Quiz Bowl Finals	Lunch Junior College Auditions Quiz Bowl Finals	Lunch	Workshop Session 7 Improv! Finals
1:30-3:00pm	Opening Ceremony	Registration	Show Session 3 Junior College Auditions	Workshop Session 4 Junior College Auditions	Workshop Session 8 Improv! Finals	Lunch
3:00-4:30pm	Workshop Session 1	Opening Ceremony	Workshop Session 5 Scholarship Callbacks	Show #3 Scholarship Callbacks	Linda P. Wise Showcase/ Closing Ceremony	Workshop Session 8
4:30-6:00pm	Dinner	Workshop Session 1	Dinner Scholarship Callbacks	Workshops #5 Scholarship Callbacks		Linda P. Wise Showcase/ Closing Ceremony
6:00-7:30pm	Workshop Session 2 Senior College Auditions	Dinner Senior College Auditions	Show Session 4	Dinner		
7:30-9:00pm	Show Session 1 Senior College Auditions	Workshops Session 2 Tech Challenge Senior College Auditions	Workshop Session 6 Improv!	Show Session 4		
9:00-10:30pm	Workshop Session 3 Tech Challenge Senior College Auditions ThesCon Karaoke	Show Session 1 Senior College Auditions		Workshop Session 6 Improv! ThesCon Karaoke		

- **Film Fest** will take place for Yellow and Blue Tracks during a Workshop Session.
- **Improv!** Preliminaries workshop session 6; Improv! Finals workshop session 7
- **Freestyle Festival** will take place for Yellow and Blue Tracks during a Workshop Session.
- **Quiz Bowl** and **Thespys Playwriting** will happen for both tracks at the same time.

Conference Schedule from last year as an example.

Thescon Steps

1. Become a Thespian	-\$100-	Due October 17th
2. First Payment	-\$200-	Due October 17th
3. Conference Agreement Form		Due October 17th
4. Activity Permission Form		Due October 17th
5. Second Payment	-\$250-	Due November 7th

<https://register.gathespians.org/agreement-form/>

Complete Form online, following online directions. Bring completed form to Sandrew.

Step 1:



Attendee fills-out
agreement form
online.

Step 2:



Completed form
is sent via email.

Step 3:



Parent of
student attendee,
or
Adult Attendee,
prints and signs
the form.

Step 4:



Troupe Director
collects completed
forms and mails in
with registration
packet.

Completing the form:

This form must be completed in full for each attendee (students and adults) attending any Georgia Thespians event.

Handwritten forms will not be accepted.
All forms must photocopy clearly.
Do not submit forms from previous years.

Signing the form:

- Forms for student attendees will be signed by the student's parent or legal guardian.
- Forms for adult attendees will be signed by the adult attendee themselves.
- Eighteen-year old (or older) students are not allowed to sign forms for themselves.

All information must be provided in order to complete this form.