



CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS

This is a *VERSION* of the breakdown of characters. Depending on how many students audition, and how things shake out, this breakdown is subject to change.

In addition to the named roles below....most will be in the Puffs Student Ensemble and /or play DEATH BUDDIES, SOUL SUCKING GUARDS, Bathroom dancers, dragons, and/or snakes!

Narrator (Non-Specific Gender): The host of the evening. They know everything about the Puffs and A Certain School of Magic and Magic. Speaks with a British accent.

Wayne Hopkins (M): Our hero. An American 90's kid obsessed with video games, pop music, and peak cinema like Free Willy. A kid with a great heart who is determined to be the hero, even if a certain boy with a magic scar keeps stealing his thunder.

Oliver Rivers (M): A math prodigy born to muggles; he struggles with basic magic. Spastic, nerdy, and very enthusiastic about advanced mathematics, he is Wayne's best friend and develops a crush on Megan. American.

Megan Jones (F): If a Puff could be moody and goth, she found a way. Sarcastic, angry, and embarrassed of being a Puff. Looks up to her missing mother, a Puff who works for the Dark Lord. Deep down, all she wants is to feel loved and accepted.

Cedric (M): The Puffs' golden boy. Perfect smile, perfect attitude, and the perfect leader. A Disney Channel hero somehow stuck in the Wizarding World.

Also Plays:

Mr. Voldy: The Wizarding Dark Lord. He's a real Snake.

Ernie Mac (M): An Irish boy who fancies himself as "the best Puff".

Hannah Abbott (F): A socially awkward and painfully shy Puff. She doesn't have the best social cues.

J. Finch Fletchley (M): The youngest puff. Very sweet and fun loving. Ernie's best friend.

Also plays:

Uncle Dave (M): Wayne's crazy uncle from Cattlepoke Springs, New Mexico.

Hermeoone #3: A certain female student at a Certain School of Magic and Magic.

Leanne (F): An energetic and very excitable Puff. She's lived in a cabin in the woods her whole life and has never been around other children until being sent to Magic School. Probably the most innocent and pure of heart Puff.

Also plays:

Helga (F): The very first Puff. A friendly witch who loves to cook.

Sally Perks (F): A near-sighted Puff who refuses to wear her glasses. She has a crush on Wayne and would do anything for him to notice.

Susie Bones (F): A sad and creepy Puff girl. She has a lot of scary stories about her wizarding family and their bad luck.

Also plays:

Rowena: The "smart" founder of a Certain School of Magic and Magic

Harry (Non-Specific Gender): A certain "Boy who Lived". A well-meaning, but cocky boy who rules the school like he owns it. Doesn't seem to notice the Puffs at all.

First Headmaster (Non-Specific Gender): The Headmaster of a Certain School of Magic and Magic. Very old and wheezy.

Also plays:

Mr. Bagman: The Tournament Announcer.

A Certain Potions Teacher (M): Dressed all in black with a flare of potions and head of snake's house.

Also plays:

Second Headmaster: Angrier and more active than First Headmaster.

Zach Smith: The cool captain of the Quidditch team.

Professor Locky: Teacher at a Certain School of Magic and Magic who has written several books about how amazing they are.

Hermeoone #1 (F): A certain female student at a Certain School of Magic and Magic.

Also plays:

Ginny: Ron Wesley's sister. Kind of annoying. Wayne has a crush on her.

Bippy: A House Elf who randomly appears in the trio's lives. Loves to sing very annoying songs.

Blondo Malfoy (M): Harry's archrival. Very full of himself.

Also plays:

Sal: Founding snake of a Certain School of Magic and Magic.

Professor Sprouty (F): Teacher at a Certain School of Magic and Magic with a flair for plants.

Also plays:

Professor Lanny: Teacher at a Certain School of Magic and Magic with a flair for fortune telling.

Rita Scooter: A wizard Reporter.

A Very Tall Man (Non-Specific Gender): A certain large fellow who rescues a baby from a destroyed house.

Also plays:

Fat Friar: The ghost of a Friar who haunts the school.

Ghost History Teach: A ghost of a teacher at a Certain School of Magic and Magic who teaches magical history.

Mr. Nick: A ghost who died by a failed beheading.

Professor Turban (Non-Specific Gender): A teacher who wears a turban with a hidden secret.

Also plays:

Real Mr. Moody: A teacher who has a large magical eye for spotting evil.

Seamus (Non-Specific Gender): A student at a Certain School of Magic and Magic.

Xavia Jones (F): Megan's Evil mother. Similar to Bellatrix Lestrange if she was sorted into the Puffs as a student.

Also plays:

Ms. Babble: Teacher at a Certain School of Magic and Magic who teaches about Mugs.

Frenchy: A French witch who goes to school for magic French people in France. Ability to speak French preferable.

Goyle (M): A student at a Certain School of Magic and Magic who hangs around Blondo Malfoy.

Also plays:

Ric Gryff: Founding brave of a Certain School of Magic and Magic.

Viktor: A competitive Russian student.

Clumsy Longbottom (M): A shy and unconfident student.

Professor McG (F): Teacher at a Certain School of Magic and Magic and head of the brave house.

Also plays:

Runes Teacher: Teacher at a Certain School of Magic and Magic who teaches runes.

Myrtle (F): The Ghost of a student who haunts the bathroom.

Also plays:

Hermione #2: A certain female student at a Certain School of Magic and Magic.

Colin: A student at a Certain School of Magic and Magic who likes taking photographs.

PUFFS AUDITION MONOLOGUES / SNIPPETS

Please choose TWO (2) monologues to read. These do NOT need to be memorized, but please be very familiar with each, and create a DISTINCT character for each.

Please choose three (3) of the CHARACTER SNIPPETS (but be aware I may ask you to read more than that!) Go BIG. This is a ridiculous show. Over the top is right.

WAYNE HOPKINS / *a normal guy who wants to stand out and have others think he is special*

Question. Hypothetical. What if I don't have enough of a personality for the magic talking hat to sort me? Like...how much authority does this hat really have? Never mind. This place is crazy huh? I never thought I'd go to school in a castle. Pretty cool. I've never really liked school. People were mean. To me. I'm talking too much. You probably have all your own nervous thoughts going on ... can I tell you something? I think I might be ... special? Like...*normal boy finds out he actually has amazing abilities and is swept away to a new magical world?* AHH! Magic is *real*, and this orphaned boy wizard is ready for seven years of amazing adventures!

MEGAN JONES / *dark, brooding and mysterious, but has a soft side in there somewhere*

I never wanted to be a Puff. Every member of my family? Puffs. We're like THE Puff family. But I've always known that I was different. There's nothing even special about Puffs. Loyalty? Being really nice? A bunch of lame, awful failures doomed to be stupid walking personality-less nobodies that no one will ever care about ever? Ugh. My mom was a Puff. But she was different. She became something bigger. She made the name Jones finally mean something other than a bunch of ... Puffs. I thought ... I knew ... I would be different too.

CEDRIC / *a very popular kid, a bit of a rockstar in the Puff house, but not the sharpest tool in the shed*

And my name...is Cedric. Thanks. Now gather round. Don't be shy. Welcome to the Puffs! Just a few things to get you acquainted to the school. First, the stairs move. Don't freak out. Just breathe. Second...the Puffs don't exactly have the best reputation here. People will make jokes about you. Or throw food at you. Or they might curse you. But none of that matters. The Puffs have come in last place in the House Cup for...ever. But together we are going to change that. This year, we're going to win. Or, we're going to get second. OR, *we're going to get third.* THIRD OR NOTHING!!

NARRATOR / *witty and punchy, quick thinking and sassy*

Heroes. Made. Not born. Except, sometimes...they *are* born. On a gloomy night, in a far away, magical land called: England. Ah! A giant! Aww, a baby. His parents: dead. But he lives. He is *the boy who lives*. He has a *scar*. On his *forehead*. Shaped like...*you know*. You get it? You are familiar with this boy? Well. Forget about him. This story is not about *him*. Ah! Another orphan. His parents: also dead. Killed in a freak chocolate frog accident. *Please don't ask*. This boy is whisked away to live with his uncle in the even more magical land of Cattlepoke Springs, New Mexico.

MISTER VOLDY / *is the embodiment of evil*

So. Since we're on the verge of our victory to be remembered for all dark ages to come, pats on the back by the way, I've been working on some fun one liners to say when we vanquish our great teenage enemy, Potter. Maybe I can try some out, so you can see how fun thy are - eh hem. "Boy who lived? How about the boy who's dead now? HA!" "Nice second scar - the one that's on your whole body - since I killed you." "Mother's love your way out of that!" Or my favorite - "Loser says Avada what -" he says, "What" - "KEDABRA!" - then he dies. What? The megaphone is still on? Really? Oh my. I am just having a day, aren't I?

HARRY / *Perhaps Harry doesn't actually possess the heroic qualities he is so famous for.*

Say ... remember the First Task? That was pretty crazy. At first, I was like, "oh no", but then I was like "broom!" And then I was like "vroom vroom", but then the dragon broke off his chain and chased me all around the school and almost killed a bunch of people. Hahaha ... ahhh. Remember that? Feels like ages ago. Bye, Wayne! Cedric, look out for that dragon! Just kidding.

LEANNE / *Leanne is bubbly, excited, and so proud of her Puffness.*

No! I don't want to leave. Why is everyone always so down on us? I won't stand for it anymore! And I won't sit for it either. And I also won't stand on one leg because I can't. Watch. Anyways. Look at your hand! You have a wand! (Everyone looks at the hand that in fact does not have a wand in it.) Unless you looked at your other hand. Look at yourselves! Hannah. You used to be so awkward. And you still are, but we don't mind anymore! Who's that? It's Ernie Mac. And he is basically the best. And Sally. Remember the time... you... did that thing? It was amazing! *We're wizards!* I'm a Puff and I'm staying, because if we don't fight now we may never find out how that hat talks!

CHARACTER SNIPPETS

Most actors in Puffs will play several roles, so I want to see the ability to quickly switch from one comedic character role to another. Bold vocal and physical choices are encouraged.

XAVIA JONES, *evil, crazy, dangerous* - I want you to hurt them. Torture them. Kill them, maybe? Prove to me that you are my daughter.

MYRTLE, *quirky, unpredictable, odd ghost with a very distinctive voice* - Goodbye, Cedric. Think of me every time you see a toilet. Waaaaahhhhhhhhh!

A CERTAIN POTIONS TEACHER, *slimy, sinister, mean, demanding* - Can anyone tell me...What. Is. A. Potion? You are the most dunderheaded students I have ever seen sit in my class. If you manage to succeed in my course this year, I will eat a shoe. Ten points from the Puffs.

SECOND HEADMASTER, *tougher than the first for some reason*

Attention, students....The Headmaster here. The murderer is in the school...he attacked a portrait then left. Report to the Great Hall! I SAID NOW!

UNCLE DAVE, *Distant, goofy, not ready for parenthood* - Oh my Gawd! I forgot to tell you. Yer a Wizard, Wayne! ...Also, wizards exist! ... and you are one. Just like your British parents. Oh right! Yer parents were British! Wow. We gotta talk more. Come on, I'll drive ya to the airport!

J. FINCH FLETCHLEY, *quirky kid, likes to skip, always refers to himself in the third person*

J. Finch, finchin' around. Finchin' the halls. Ahh! J. Finch sees a snake. J. Finch is going to die!

PROFESSOR LOCKY, *over confident and charming in everything he says* - I am not excited about this! It is my duty to make sure you are all educated. So! Who wants to come to DUELLING CLUB?!