

Bye Bye Birdie (Young Performers Edition)
Coming to the Ottoson

On April 27 and April 28, Ottoson Middle School students will perform *Bye Bye Birdie (Young Performers Edition)*.

"Grey skies are gonna clear up, put on a happy face!" Set in 1958, *Bye Bye Birdie* is the story of Conrad Birdie, a rock & roll idol. After his managers (Albert and Rosie) learn that he has been inducted into the army, Rosie comes up with a plan as a publicity stunt. Conrad will bid a typical American teen-age girl goodbye with a public farewell kiss, and they randomly select fifteen-year-old Kim McAfee. This causes lots of excitement in the small town, and for Kim and her new steady, Hugo Peabody. *Bye Bye Birdie* is great fun for the whole family. Hit songs include "Put on a Happy Face" and "One Last Kiss."

Ottoson's *Bye Bye Birdie* is directed by English teacher Jenna Fernandes and music teacher Gregory Condakes, produced by music teacher Cori Smith, and choreographed by special education teacher Randi Flynn. The talented cast of 77 Ottoson students has been rehearsing since January.

Rachel Barglow, (grade 8), who plays Rosie says, "It has been incredible to see our show and our community come together over these months. The dedication and talent of our cast members help make an amazing show, and we are so excited to share it with everyone!"

Joey Caradonna (grade 8), who plays Albert, concurs: "This show is what gets me up in the morning because it's such a great community and so much fun to participate in."

Tickets go on sale on brownpapertickets.com on April 1st. They are \$10 each. If there are any tickets left, they may be purchased at the door at 6pm. The house will open for seating at 6:30 and is open seating. If you have any ticketing questions, please e-mail corismith@arlington.k12.ma.us. The shows will sell out at 500 per show, so advance ticket purchasing is encouraged.

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April 27th & 28th 2018 7pm

Ottoson Wood Auditorium

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