To: Cast and Crew of One Man Two Guv'nors

RE: Prelims Chelmsford High School

Tuesday, February 28 – wear Masquers show shirt and apparel of any kind (Beast if you have it)

- Students will load the UHAUL truck at 2:00 bring gloves, hats and coats.
- Students depart NRHS via bus approx. 2:50 and travel to Chelmsford High School.
- We will unload our set into the wings of their theatre.
- At 4:00pm, we have 60 minutes to spike, set lights, sound projections and practice volume.
- At 5:00pm, we will reload our truck
- At 5:15pm, we will take a tour of the school to find our homebase.
- We will re-board the bus approx 5:30pm.
- We will arrive back at the NRHS approx 6:15pm and unload the truck into the theatre.
- Once we are done, you will be dismissed approx. 7:00pm
- Please bring your cell phones to contact your families if traffic or something else delays this schedule
- We are not stopping for food. We suggest you bring a snack for the bus.

Friday, March 2 – Final Dress Rehearsal – 4:00pm!

- At 2:00 students will come to the theatre and set up for the show.
- At 4:00pm we will run everything just like we will in the competition. 5 minute set up, show and 5 minute tear down.
- At approx. 5:00pm we will load the Uhaul
- At 5:45 we will gather together for last minute notes and reminders
- Students are dismissed at approx. 7:00pm
- You need a good nights' rest please **do not** go out this evening

Saturday, March 3 – Drama Fest – wear your One Man, Two Guv'nors shirt– dress up and look presentable.

- Students will depart NRHS via parent caravan at 7:00am and travel to Chelmsford High School
- Please eat breakfast before we depart
- We will check into the festival at 7:45am and get your festival id. You must wear them at all times.
- Students will unload the truck and go to homebase. There you will get your id. NO PARENT may go with students to homebase at this venue. They are very tight with security. Only Ms Kane, Mr Forman, and Ms Gagnon will be allowed past security. Our homebase is where you keep your bags, coats, costumes etc. Students may NOT bring coats, bags, etc into the theatre. DO NOT bring anything of value. There is no place to store it and it will not be 100% safe. This includes: ipods, cell phones, computers etc. You bring it at your own risk there has been theft.
- We will unload to the sides of the stage and do our TIMED set up right away. We perform 1st
- 8:45 all students gather in the theatre for welcome ceremonies this will only be our tech crew who does not run the show
- 9:00 the shows start we are FIRST
- When we are done performing, we reload the Uhaul right away
- Then students will not have a chance to get changed they MUST be in the house to see the next show
- After 1 more shows there is a break then you can go to homebase and get changed. But quickly...
- After 2 more shows is Lunch.
 - Lunch is a la cart and you need to bring cash for this \$10 is suggested
- Then we watch 4 more shows. After the shows, there are guided talk backs with each director. This is not open to the public
- Then there is a dinner break and a dance while the judges tally up the scores
- Awards ceremony is slated to start at 8:30pm. This NEVER starts on time.
- When the awards are complete, we will travel back to NRHS and arrive approx 10:30pm but if awards start late this will be later. Students will be able to call you to keep you updated but not until after all the shows are done.
- Students will unload the UHAUL at NRHS and be immediately dismissed.

IF THERE IS A SNOW DAY AND SATURDAY IS CANCELLED, THIS SCHEUDLE WILL HAPPEN ON SUNDAY March 4. YOUR STUDENT <u>MUST</u> BE AVAILABLE OR WE <u>WILL</u> BE DISQUALLIFIED.

Some reminders about Dramafest.

There are vendor tables set up throughout the day selling food and other items. Everything is \$1

There are festival tshirts on sale – they are \$10. We will be selling them the next weekend, so I suggest buying them from us.

There is no food or drink (this includes water) in the auditorium.

ALL CELL PHONES WILL BE COLLECTED. No cell phones, video games, ipods are allowed in the auditorium. (we don't want to be disqualified for a silly reason like that) Ms Kane is very strict on this matter. How can you meet new and cool people if your nose is in your phone every break? Phones will be passed back for lunch and then recollected for the afternoon performances. Phones will be passed back for dinner.

Do not bring your backpacks full of expensive, irreplaceable things. Only bring what you need. You already need a lot with costumes, makeup, props, tools.... It's enough to remember.

We want to wear Masquers apparel as much as we can. If you don't have any, see Ms Kane right away and we may be able to order some for you or find a former Masquers member to borrow something from.

On tech days we like to wear our musical t-shirts and Masquers sweatshirts. This year was Beauty and the Beast.

On show days we like to wear our *One Man orange* shirts and we like to dress up. Sweatpants, dirty and sloppy clothing, clothing with paint on them from tech crew will not be acceptable. Short skirts will not be acceptable. If it is above your fingertips when your arms hang naturally to your side, it is too short. Theatre is physical and we do not want anyone to be uncomfortable. Your NRHS staff has the right to ask you to change. You are representing North Reading High School. Be presentable and curious at all times.

Foul language and inappropriate conversations will not be tolerated. It is not acceptable and will result in a phone call to your parent/guardian and discipline action. Old adage – if you don't have something nice to say, don't say anything at all. Humble and kind. Humble and kind.

Remember, it doesn't matter what happens once there. We keep to ourselves, make friends, support others and have a good time. We can talk all about the day, complain, moan, celebrate or whatever once we are home <u>away</u> from others. But it is **not** appropriate to do it in public. Be a good ambassador.