

My name is Emma Ockerman and I'll be going into my junior year next year. This year in the drama club I have been in Sherwood: The Adventures of Robin Hood as Alize and guard 3 as well as make up crew, Crafting a Killer as Red and hair crew, and Tarzan as a water fairy, butterfly, and gorilla and hair crew. I have also attended most of the bounding events as well as the improv workshops! I also watch all of our amazing YouTube videos. I would love to be a Communications officer because it would allow me to highlight others and welcome those who can not watch our process in person. I currently run my own YouTube channel (Emma Kenzie if you want to check it out) and within that I do the filming, editing, uploading, advertising, and closed captioning so that everyone can feel included when they watch. I started the channel as a quarantine hobby and I quickly grew to love talking to a camera and now I hope to spread that love to the club.

As a Communications officer I would love to continue the vlog that Toni started for us this previous year. I plan on starting a Senior Spotlight on the channel or on a TikTok page where we get to showcase our amazing seniors in whatever way they choose. Engaging the community in a way that they will respond best is a key part of drama club, which is why starting a TikTok page would help us. Starting a TikTok page would help promote the drama club to the current high school demographic and show behind the scenes activities without having to make a full five minute or longer YouTube video. This page would also allow you to take a peek into what people do before rehearsals without making an entire video dedicated to one person in a vlog. Within the TikTok page we could link both our Instagram and YouTube channel in order to let people gather more information.

Working on both tech and cast has given me an opportunity to witness our current Communications officers at work and see what this job entails. I hope to continue doubling up in cast and crew throughout my drama club career allowing me to show glimpses of both sides of the stage, from the people scrambling in the back to do the hundreds of quick changes to the actor on stage who gets to stand in the spotlight and bow. Being a Communications officer will allow me to make other people feel special by featuring them, whether on the vlog or in a post on Instagram or TikTok. I'll also be able to show parents and grandparents who live far away what their kids and grandkids are doing, which is a priceless opportunity. Thank you for reading!