

Hello! I'm Cassidy McElroy and I'm an upcoming Sophomore for the 2022-2023 school year. I've been involved with DDC since 7th grade, and I've acted in every show I could throughout middle school. This year I did Lights two times (three including the MTI show) and acted once (Footloose). The Dexter Drama Club has always been my safe space. For me, it's always been my escape from all the stressors in my life. But as I've gotten older since joining the drama club, I've gotten to see other people's experiences with it. I've talked to friends who *don't* find it their safe space. Drama can also be very stressful at times. I intend to change that. Of course, There's no way to completely take all that away. Stress sometimes comes with the job. And that isn't really a bad thing, we just have lots of moving parts, and sometimes those moving parts clash. I intend to be a face you can come to when you are stressed or upset about something that's happened. Even just talking to someone about what is stressing you out can help a ton. I love listening and am also great at giving out advice. Not only am I good to come to if you are upset, I also want to be someone you can come to for any problem or question. I would like to be able to help new timers in the drama club be able to find their way around. Speaking of new timers, I want to make the middle schoolers feel more included. It can be intimidating coming into someplace where everyone seems to know everybody and everyone knows how to do everything. I see firsthand how stressful that can be at home from my younger sister who is a middle schooler in the drama club. I'd like to make all the other middle school students feel comfortable in the drama club and answer all their questions like I do for my own sister at home. I also really enjoy organizing. One big part of the Sergeant at Arms' job is organizing the bonding events, and I believe I'd be well up to that task. I've devoted a good chunk of my summer to the Dexter Pride Festival, which is mostly organizing things. I'm on the board, so I am used to having bigger responsibilities. I also just love the exhilaration of your idea becoming true and other people getting to enjoy and experience it. Bonding events are one of the best parts of the show. It's a time where you get to come together and everyone from the company can have fun and talk. I can't even count how many of my drama friends I've made through the bonding events. They're a time of community, and I want to continue that. I want to make sure everyone feels as welcome as possible, no matter what grade or area of theater they're in. I wish to make our community as strong as possible. When the community is strong, you can see that in the product(the show) we make. I'm also very people-oriented. I am very outgoing when it comes to talking to people, so it won't be difficult for me to help others. I also work well with others. I enjoy getting feedback from other people to help improve my work, and I can reciprocate that if needed. I would be able to work well with the other officers and be a constructive influence in the group. Being a people person, I would also be highly capable of things like leading warm-up games and giving out information in a large group setting. Overall, I know I would be able to make an impact on the drama club. I would be capable and up to the tasks of the Sergeant at Arms, and I want to make drama a safe space. The biggest thing I want to do is have people see drama the way I see it. It is one of the biggest joys in my life, and I want people to get to experience it in all the good ways I do. I would *love* to help make an impact on one of the biggest points of pride in my life.