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ELECTRONIC SERVICE



2025-26

SALTWORKS

School Assemblies

"This was one of the best educational performances ever!"

—Norwin Middle School

"I really liked the show because it was inspiring and it helped me think about these things that I want to focus on in my life." —Student, Lenape Elementary School

"Bravo to Saltworks for an amazing performance on this issue."

—Hollidaysburg Area Senior High

ALL IN!!!!

"Outstanding show! The performers were excellent, engaging, and fun to watch! Our students were engaged and involved throughout the shows. The message was perfect for our students to hear, it was right on point for our students. The cast did a wonderful job during the Q&A period, taking time to answer all questions that were asked." —Shaler Area Middle School

"The Saltworks play, "When Panic Attacks" covered a variety of big issues facing teenagers today through a series of clever vignettes. The actors were both professional and compassionate and really hit the mark with topics such as anxiety, loneliness, the sting of social media, and peer pressure."

—Hempfield Area High School

SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES 2025-26

Using theater to support social and emotional learning

Grades K-5 Responsibility, Respect



Alex Rewrites The Wrongs will encourage kids to be a leader by doing the right thing, even when no one is looking. Inspired by Sean Covey's book, *7 Habits of Happy Kids*, this interactive play will inspire children to be proactive in order to see change in their lives and to be a leader in starting that change. This play will inspire students to live according to principles such as responsibility, compromise, teamwork and respect.

Grades K-6 Physical & Mental Health and Wellness



With the help of the audience and a superhero who's devoted to helping kids make healthy choices, four elementary students learn how to handle "villains" like Feeling Frenzies, Distractinators, and Malicious Mirrors. The characters (and audience!) learn about mindfulness and how to take care of themselves both mentally and physically. At the end of the show they realize that they can be superheroes, too, by using what they've learned to help others!

Grades K-6 Diversity, Respect, Teamwork



Inspired by Mr. Rogers' quote, "I like you as you are," students with diverse skills are challenged to work together in a maker space to win the traditional *Operation Brainpower* contest. In their quest for success, they learn that their pre-conceived notions about each other may not be accurate while discovering their own character flaws.



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Grades 7-12 Anxiety, Negative Body Image



Students are facing increased pressure for acceptance.

Social media apps like Instagram, TikTok, and Snapchat can present an idealized version of the lives of influencers and friends alike. The pressure to fit in can lead students to develop anxiety, negative body image, and a preoccupation with social media.

Grades 7-12 Prescription Drug Abuse



The misuse of prescription drugs is often overlooked and unnoticed for too long. In *Off 'Script*, three students share their stories of addiction to prescription drugs, the consequences of their actions, and their journey to hope and healing.

Grades 6-12 Vaping



Teen game show contestants are tested on their knowledge of vaping. A variety of scenes cover the science behind vaping's impact on mental and physical health, the way vaping is marketed to young people, and the long-term repercussions of vaping.

Advisors: Tobacco Free Allegheny



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Plays are performed by professional actors and run 45-50 minutes in length. Each performance is followed by 10-15 minute Q & A which invites students to explore the issues further.

Educator curriculum guides, containing pre- and post- show classroom exercises, are provided free of charge to prepare students for the performance and stimulate communication around the issues.