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Dear Cynthia Wright and the Fox Foundation,

Thank you so much for the wonderful opportunity you gave our students to attend the fantastic performance of "Fiddler on the Roof". The lucky La Sierra students who were chosen to attend were all members of our Drama Club. We have worked hundreds of hours working on our own amateur productions trying to achieve the perfection of a professional performance. This year we presented "The Crucible" and "Grease", which just recently closed. Among the fortunate students chosen were lead and supporting cast members, student directors, lighting and sound "techies", prop and set crew members as well as house, makeup and publicity workers. Thank you so much for giving us the chance to experience a professional production, allowing us to learn even more about our favorite subject!

Most of us had never seen "Fiddler on the Roof". The students chosen to attend had a meeting a few days before the event to discuss the play, watch a short recorded scene and learn more about the time period and theme of the show. It is such an amazing script and we were thrilled with the performances. The singing and movement were excellent and the sound at the lovely Fox Theatre was great. We especially loved how Tevye broke the "4th wall" and talked to "God", bringing even more wisdom, humor and pathos to the production. Our techies loved watching the clever set move and change...especially the trees changing season! The "freezes" that were created with the actors, lighting and sound were very clear and added such insight into the various characters. We loved it all!

Additionally, we appreciated the beauty of the Fox Theatre itself. We are so excited that a venue as beautiful as the Fox is available here in our community. Maintaining such a beautiful landmark is important, and as teenagers, we will benefit from its presence for many years to come.

We would like to thank the Fox Foundation again for this fantastic opportunity. Helping youth experience professional theatre is such an important part of keeping this art alive so that it will continue to thrive in the future...our future! We appreciate Cynthia's help and please let us know if we can ever do anything to help support your excellent work!

Sincerely,

Andrea Rodriguez *D*rama Club Secretary

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Sara L. Hughes La Sierra High Drama Club Advisor/Instructor

La Sierra Drama student comments about "Fiddler on the Roof"...

"Fiddler on the Roof" was a great experience and I'm still so thrilled that the Fox Foundation gave me the chance to go see it. It was an opportunity that I don't normally get and it was great to watch people do what I hope to be doing in my life. The show was amazing and I was able to see all the hard work that the cast and crew put in. -Chris Mosely

Thank you so very much for allowing us to go see your terrific performance of "Fiddler on the Roof"! I was absolutely blown away by all the superb acting, impressive dance numbers, and the lighting design was phenomenal! -Cece Chase

"Fiddler on the Roof" was an amazing show! The transitions were flawless, the lights were amazing, and the chemistry between all the actors was unbelievable. I am so happy I was able to see the show, and was completely blown away. Thank you for giving our school the opportunity to come visit the Fox! It is much appreciated! -Tella Silver

When I attended with Drama, to go see "Fiddler on the Roof" my mind was blown away by how astonishing and magnificent the show was. I'd like to thank the Fox Foundation for letting us see this amazing and well-done show. My favorite scenes had to be the bar scene and the dream scene because they were choreographed very well and beautifully. Thank you once again for letting us see this wonderful show!!!! -Andy Walker

First I'd like to thank the Fox Foundation for allowing our drama program to attend such a wonderful production. Everything was truly wonderful. I absolutely love this musical, so I definitely enjoyed it very much. What really amazed me was the bottle dance. That must have been really hard. I also really loved all the acting it was amazing and a wonderful experience to get to see such a fantastic play. Again thank you so much for allowing us to see this play. It was a wonderful show!

-Brianna Leger

I had such an amazing time watching "Fiddler on the Roof" thanks to the Fox Foundation. I had never seen the show before but now it is definitely one of my favorites. I was extremely impressed with the nightmare scenes and the lighting was incredible! I am very glad that we received tickets for this wonderful show and I hope La Sierra Drama will be regular audiences for following shows. Thank you for this wonderful experience! -Joanne Olivo

When we went to go see the show, I was very excited, but, as I'd never seen the show before, I wasn't quite sure what to expect. I was pleasantly surprised to find out how deep and moving the story is. The horrors of the show were presented in such a way that I hardly noticed them until after they were over. Throughout the negativity of the story, the cast was always able to bring me up with expert comic relief so that I didn't have to dwell on the bad. The acting was great, the singing was great, and the crews all did a fantastic job keeping the show running. So, to the Fox Foundation, thank you for giving us the opportunity to see such a wonderful and professional show. -Brandon Ramirez

When going to see the performance "Fiddler on the Roof" I was very much impressed with the show. I loved seeing this play, it is definitly one of my favorite plays, so to get the opportunity to see it was a pleasure. I loved the wedding scene and the dream scene, the play all around was wonderful. I would like to thank you for the tickets and allowing our drama department to see the performance. I hope I am able to return and see many other plays in your theater. Thank you again for the tickets and hope the actors enjoyed performing as much as I enjoyed watching.

Hannah Lampers

"Fiddler on the Roof" was one of the greatest shows I have ever seen. I really enjoyed seeing the whole entire musical. I had such a fun time seeing the relationships between the family. I loved the father and the dancers as well. I would have to say my favorite scene was the wedding ceremony. I loved the dances and the chaos (that was not typical of their culture) due to "tradition." I would like to thank the Fox Foundation for allowing us the opportunity to see such an amazing show!!

-Andrea Dominguez

Your production of "Fiddler on the Roof" amazed me. I only knew the basis of what I was going to see, but I honestly did not expect that much emotion to be portrayed into the relationships and interaction of the characters, especially towards the subjects of marriage and the war. I myself have done props/set these past few plays, so I paid extra attention to your set which astounded me. I loved the detail put into the house and backyard. The show all around was fantastic, from the actors, to set, to the lights and sound. Thank you for this amazing opportunity!

-Desiree Sayarath

As a fan of the Fox Theatre, I was ecstatic to get the chance to see a classic show like "Fiddler on the Roof" with my drama program. This being my first viewing of the musical, I was purely awed to see the relationships, conflicts, and wonderful characterization, especially by the lead actor. The contrast between the very funny moments and positively tragic story line was very refreshing to me. I couldn't have been more satisfied.

-Kimmy Paulson

One of the aspects of "Fiddler on the Roof" that affected me more than I thought it would was watching the little girls act and pantomime while the adults were having conversations. Of course they were already kids themselves but I was amazed at how well they played children and I couldn't keep my eyes off of them. I also loved watching the scene where the men balanced the bottles on their heads and still were able to dance without having them fall off of their heads. I can't imagine how much practice it must have taken and it was amazing to watch.

-Alexxis Plata

I was pleasantly surprised at the amazing acting and overall performance of "Fiddler on the Roof". Golde was incredibly into her character, especially with the voice and movement. The stage crew was fast and incredible at their job. I thoroughly enjoyed it and was captivated the entire time. It was incredible!

-Alyssa Tocker

It was a pleasure and an honor to be allowed to come see the heart-wrenching musical performance, "Fiddler on the Roof". For years it has been my favorite musical, I have worn my copy of the DVD bare. Finally having the opportunity to see the theatre production was not only riveting, but gave me a whole new insight on the storyline and characters. The set, costumes, lights, and sound, were of the highest standards, I look forward to coming back to the Fox to see the next production.

-Siena Ramirez

Getting to watch Fiddler was an amazing experience! The stage, lighting, orchestra, and acting were absolutely flawless. I loved every aspect of the performance and would like to thank you all for allowing us to see you perform. I have not seen the show in a long time and seeing your guys' performance reminded me what I loved so much about the play.

-Jennifer Stanley

Fiddler on the Roof is such a classical show, which causes it to be hard to maintain excitement over the years. This performance kept its name and reputation high up by delivering more than what was expected. From "Tradition" to the not so traditional wedding scene, all the way to the crazy dream sequence, the show kept me captivated and rooting for more. I thank the Fox Foundation for giving us the opportunity of exploring professional theatre with such amazing and entertaining shows.

-Roger Escalante

I am thankful for the recognition we've received from the Fox Foundation, allowing our Drama club to have the experience to enjoy such a great performance of *Fiddler on the Roof*. I've always heard about the popularity of the production, and now I really understand and have my own perception of *Fiddler on the Roof*. I am so grateful. From the casting, the choreography, to the meaningful stories of struggle and change incorporated within the music, I will definitely continue to pass on my fulfillment to my peers. And we all loved the beauty of the Fox Theatre. It is truly lovely & I am proud that it is part of our city.

-Jayla Bailey

I absolutely loved seeing "Fiddler On The Roof" for a second time. The first time I saw it I was in elementary school and fell in love with the songs, but seeing it as a senior I have made deeper connections and caught little jokes that I missed as a forth grader. I enjoyed this show so much. It is such a timeless classic! Thank you Fox Foundation for this wonderful opportunity. -Amanda Christian