

SHOW CONTENT INFORMATION SHEET

SYNOPSIS:

Based on the movie classic that runs round-the-clock on television every Christmas, this musical is set in the 1940's in the fictional town of Hohman, Indiana. It follows 9-year-old Ralphie Parker and his quest for the Holy Grail of Christmas gifts—an Official Red Ryder carbine-action 200-shot Range Model air rifle. Rebuffed at every turn with a similar echoing response, Ralphie plots numerous schemes to achieve his desperate desire for the coveted BB gun. All the iconic scenes from the movie are here: Ralphie's friend, Flick, getting his tongue stuck to the flagpole; his brother, Randy, getting dressed in his snowsuit; the bullies, Farkus and Dill; the leg lamp award; the bunny suit; the Chinese restaurant; Christmas dinner; and many others. The delightfully versatile score ranges from gentle ballads to show-stopping full-ensemble numbers such as "Ralphie to the Rescue!", "A Major Award," "Sticky Situation," "Up on Santa's Lap," "Somewhere Hovering Over Indiana" and the inevitable "You'll Shoot Your Eye Out!"

AGES:

We recommend this show for ages 8 and up. However, parents are encouraged to use their own judgement and discretion when choosing shows for children based on their maturity and interest level.

DETAILS:

By today's standards, this show would probably be rated PG. However, just like the classic movie, both kids and adults simulate or use strong language ("smartass", "hell"). In one famous scene involving young Ralphie, he uses the "F" word (though we hear the word "fudge"). Afterward, he's punished for swearing by having his mouth washed out with soap. Ralphie is also bullied and beats up his nemesis, then cries afterward. One child sticks his tongue on a flagpole on a dare and needs the fire department to unstick him. A scene set in a Chinese restaurant includes dated stereotypes about Asian people and their pronunciation of English.

LENGTH:

Approximately 2 1/2 hours with an intermission.

TICKET OFFICE:

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