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## **Focus on Ministry Weekend**

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During two Focus on Ministry weekends, about 300 high schoolers from all over the country were able to walk in MLC students' shoes for a few days. They experienced campus life by going to classes, watching sports practices, staying in the dorms, and chatting with current students, faculty, and coaches.

"Going to chapel was cool," said Mason Shambeau (KML '17), "because you could definitely see how Christ-centered MLC is." Josh Schoenfeld (Lakeside '16) added, "I like the cafeteria!" Faith Otte (Nebraska LHS '16) said, "This whole weekend has been great, because it makes me so excited to go to school here!"

Some who made the trip are uncertain about their future schooling, but they still benefitted from the visit. "I'm indecisive about college right now," said **Jordyn Ulman** (FVL '17). "But I'm definitely keeping MLC in mind. This trip has showed me MLC's true purpose and how greatly future called workers here are motivated to spread the gospel."

If you want to learn more about MLC, we'd love for you to visit. Talk to your high school guidance counselor about the February Focus on Ministry trip, or call us to set up a personal visit: 507.354.8221.



Karaoke night in the cafeteria was a big hit for MLC's high school visitors!

## Lights, Camera, Forum!

Last weekend, Forum (MLC's drama club) presented *Guys and Dolls*, one of their four yearly productions. Nearly 1500 tickets were sold. The musical was directed by fifth-year **Michael Koester** (*Michigan LHS / St. Paul-New Ulm MN*), who has been very involved in Forum throughout his years at MLC.

"I definitely enjoy that Forum is a student-run group," Michael says. "We're all volunteers who want to be a part of it, and that makes it really fun." Members of Forum use their gifts on and off the stage, helping out with makeup and costumes, sound and lights, building the sets, selling tickets, and more.

"No other theater organization is going to be like this because we share the same faith, and that binds us as a family," Michael explains. This family also happens to be preparing for the ministry together as they develop skills like public speaking, creative thinking, and teamwork.

So whether you enjoy singin' in the rain, or you like the sound of music, or you just have some wicked acting skills—guys and dolls alike are encouraged to be a part of MLC's Forum!



**Ryan Henning** (Nebraska LHS / St. Paul-New Ulm MN) and **Jennie Adickes** (Luther High / First-La Crosse WI) share the stage in Guys and Dolls.