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About 50 Somers High School students performed in *Legally Blonde The Musical*. The musical premiered Friday night followed by Saturday night and Sunday afternoon performances. News 12's Lisa Reyes is on scene at Somers High School.

[LISA ON CAMERA]

Somers High School's annual musical features 50 students in *Legally Blonde*.

[B-ROLL: Video of actress playing Elle Woods in a scene on stage with her ex-boyfriend coming onto the stage]

[LISA VO]

Legally Blonde focuses on a young blonde woman, Elle Woods. She enters Harvard law school in pursuit of her ex-boyfriend.

[B-ROLL: Video of Elle Woods in a scene with Emmett Forest]

[LISA VO]

Elle meets Emmett Forest who helps her succeed at Harvard. Eventually, Elle falls in love with him. Senior Jessie Shaw plays Elle Woods. Shaw comments on what it was like to put this show together.

[SOT]

[SUPER: JESSIE SHAW / ELLE WOODS]

"This is a really hard show musically. We didn't realize going into it. It's a lot of weird key changes and tempo changes. It took a lot of cast cooperation."

[B-ROLL: Video of the audience clapping and rising for a standing ovation]

[LISA VO]

About 200 people attended the Friday night performance. Many of the actors and actresses comment that the audience is the most rewarding part of performing. Junior Daniel Kushner plays Emmett Forest. Kushner also agrees that the audience is what makes performing memorable.

[SOT]

[SUPER: DANIEL KUSHNER / EMMETT FOREST]

“I just love people watching me and enjoying the things that I’ve worked hard to make. It’s amazing that people get to enjoy the things that I produce.”

[LISA ON CAMERA]

Somers High School students perform a musical every March. The cast rehearses every week for two hours Tuesday through Friday until opening night... On scene at Somers High School, I’m Lisa Reyes, News 12.

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Rehearsals begin for the musical in January. Students can audition in December. For more information on how to get involved, contact director Ann Ferraro at AFerraro@somersschools.org (A-Ferraro-at-Somers-schools-dot-org).