

The Music Man

Costume List

- The Music Man is set in 1912 in Iowa, which makes it a “period piece.”
- You can watch the original 1962 film with Robert Preston and Shirley Jones to get a sense of the costumes.
- You may not want to spend a lot of money on items that will only be used just this once...here are some suggestions:
 - Salvation Army Family Store in Passaic
 - Goodwill Family Store on Route 46 in Fairfield
 - Forman Mills on 670 Union Boulevard in Totowa
- Each store offers half price on a specific tag color. Wednesdays usually have multiple tag colors on sale and would be the best day to go.
- I would recommend tying the bag up really tight and then throwing the items in the dryer on high for 45 minutes. If the item can't be dried, then put it in the freezer for about a week.
- Certain cast members need more than one costume! If you or your child are unsure of what you need to get, please contact Mr. Michalowski at bmichalowski@veronaschools.org.
- Costumes must be brought in and approved by Mr. Michalowski or Mrs. Morden by Friday, July 18.

Character	Suggested Costume	Ideas
EVERYONE	Black character shoes OR black dress shoes. Please have a skin colored leotard or something that can be worn under the costume.	Character shoes are a specific type of theater/dance shoe...it may be a good time to invest in a pair! No sneakers!
Harold Hill	Light summer suit w/ vest Loud jacket with white shirt. Tie Straw hat Band uniform (provided)	
Marian Paroo	Think “Uptight Librarian” dress with glasses and hair up. Soft, feminine dress Overcoat/gloves	We may have some dresses that would work.

Mrs. Paroo	Simple house dress with apron. Please have a few aprons for different scenes.	Skirt and blouse
Mayor Shinn	Cutaway jacket with pants, shirt, tie and top hat.	
Eulalie Shinn	Statue of Liberty costume Native American headpiece Grecian gown Dress like "Pick-a-Littles"	Light green sheet for statue of liberty and white sheet for Grecian gown.
School Board	Seersucker suits with shirts and ties with straw hats.	Perhaps they can just switch jackets between being a salesman/newspaper and the school board.
Marcellus	Loud suit with a bowler hat.	Baggy pants tucked into knee socks.
Tommy Djilas/ Winthrop/Boys of River City	Knickerbockers with knee socks and long sleeved shirts.	Knickerbockers can be made by dyeing baseball pants that are below the knee or adding elastic to the bottom of pants. Some boys can have suspenders.
Amaryllis, Gracie, Zaneeta and Girls of River City	Simple flour sack dresses – can be spruced up with pinafores. Hair can be braided, put in pigtails, or left down. Bows can be added to hair.	
Pick-A-Little Ladies	Conservative yet dressy dresses, hats. Grecian gowns	White sheet can be made into a Grecian gown.
Traveling Salesmen/ Newspapers	Light summer suits w/ vest or bright plaid jacket with white shirt.	
Conductor	Black or navy suit with white shirt and black or navy tie; black/navy vest/conductor's hat/ pocket watch recommended	While a suit is fine, a train conductor's uniform would be great!

Constable Locke	Navy or black blazer with white shirt.	
Farmer	Worn overalls, collarless shirt, boots, newsboy cap (think American Gothic painting by Grant Wood)	
Farmer's Wife	Plain dark dress (think American Gothic painting by Grant Wood)	
Wan Tan Ye Girls	Native American headband with feather	