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Wonderful costumes and sets will only enhance Chase County Schools' presentation of The Little Mermaid this weekend.

The musical, including such popular songs as "Under the Sea," will be performed under the direction of Randy Hayes Saturday and Sunday.

A little mermaid, Ariel, dreams of obtaining legs and living on land. She makes a deal with sea witch Ursula that trades her beautiful voice for those legs. The story is a popular Disney animated movie.

Some of the costumes, such as Ariel's, are being designed for the production, while others are being created from costume storage.

Fish swim in and out of coral in the sea scenes, while a boat carries sailors onto the stage.

Hayes said his objective is not to recreate the animated movie, but to develop scenery and costumes that fit the school stage and budget.

The cast includes: Ariel, Tapainga Kahle; Ursula, Anna Bauerle; King Triton, Calen Griffin; Sabastian, Ryan Moline; Flounder, Ally Vrbas; Scuttle, Travis Luhrs, and Prince Eric, Dan Sullivan.

All members of the chorus will be on stage during the show, as other characters and supporting chorus.

The musical will be staged at 7:30 p.m. Saturday night and 2:30 p.m. Sunday afternoon in the school auditorium.

Tickets are selling fast, Hayes said. They may be obtained from cast members or by contacting the school at (308) 882-4304 ext. 152.