

# Freaky Friday

## Character Descriptions

### FEMALE ROLES

**Ellie** – Lead role, singer with strong belt and vocal range. As Ellie: smart, funny, ruffled and a bit sloppy - uses humor and brash behavior to hide her sadness of having lost her father at an early age. As Katherine in Ellie's body: decisive but wavering, trying to be the adult while fighting her teenage urges, and distressed at being treated as a child.

**Katherine** – Leading Role, singer with strong belt and vocal range – As Katherine: decisive, smart, lovely, trying to keep her family and work life together, trying to be perfect. As Ellie in Katherine's body: Working hard to appear adult and repress her teenage brashness, and frightened.

**Torrey** - Katherine's assistant - a high-strung, insecure perfectionist. Strong singer with significant solo work in group numbers, including "Just One Day," "What You Got," and "I'm Not Myself Today."

**Hannah** – (High School-aged) Ellie's best friend - intense, emotional, lacks confidence. Solos in numerous songs and scene work with Ellie.

**Gretchen** – (High School-aged) Also Ellie's best friend - hacker-geek, self-described nerd. Solos in numerous songs and scene work with Ellie.

**Savannah** – (High School-aged) The mean girl – "I'm smarter than sin; I'm rich and I'm thin."  
Laurel – (High School-aged) Friend of Savannah, unimpressed.

### MALE ROLES

**Adam** - The "Listmaster" - a paragon of adorable cool. Ellie's crush. Adam likes Ellie and loves Katherine's sandwiches. Solo number: "Women and Sandwiches," featured in "Go" and other songs.

**Mike** – Katherine's fiancée - confident, charming, kind. Solo ballad: "Vows" and featured in other songs and scenes.

**Fletcher** – (Age flexible) Ellie's younger brother, eccentric, naive; obsessed with his puppets. Teases Ellie. Small solos in several songs. Could be played by a young girl as a boy.

**Parker** - Ellie's friend - completely average, best friends with Wells. Solos in numerous songs and scene work with Ellie.

**Wells** - Ellie's friend - dorky but not meek, best friends with Parker. Solos in numerous songs and scene work with Ellie.

***The following roles (not split by gender) are subject to doubling, meaning one person could play more than one role:***

**Ms Myers** - Gym teacher, extremely intense! Lead in "Watch Your Back!"

**Danielle** - Weddings Magazine journalist - polished, grimly cheerful. Featured in "What You Got" and others.

**Officer Sitz** - police officer who never received sensitivity training. Featured in "Bring My Baby (Brother) Home"

**Mrs. Luckenbill** - English teacher – empathetic. Featured in "Somebody Has Got To Take The Blame"

**Grandma Helene** - Katherine's mother - fiercely opinionated, caring. Some solo work in group numbers.

**Mrs. Time** - antique shop proprietor - apathetic, doesn't much like teenagers (speaking role).

**Louis** - the magazine photographer. Featured in "What You Got" and others. Actor will also likely play a high school student friend of Savannah.

**Grandpa Gordon** - Katherine's father - grumpy, stubborn, old-school. Various solos in company numbers

**Mr. Blumen** - Biology teacher, a cynical lifer.

**Senor O'Brien** - Spanish teacher - argumentative and quarrelsome. Featured in "Somebody Has Got to Take the Blame."

**Dr. Ehrin** - School counselor, test obsessed and overworked. Featured in "Somebody Has Got to Take the Blame."

**Officer Kowalski** - police officer who never received sensitivity training. Featured in "Bring My Baby (Brother) Home"

**Pastor Bruno** - cheerful, loves weddings (speaking role).