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## Flirting for fun & funds

Michael Cherinka and Jeffrey Shaffer stepped out of their educator roles and into the roles of super models recently for a Fun and Flirty Fashion Show at the Dallas Middle School auditorium.

The brainchild of juniors Katrina Heintz and Alexis Kuzma who coordinated the event as their senior completion project, the fashion show featured 19 models, including 13 girls, nine boys, Cherinka, a teacher at the school; and Shaffer, the school's principal.

Though the majority of student models were from Dallas High School, two student models were from Lake-Lehman Junior/Senior High School and one from Wyoming Seminary joined in the fun.

Heintz got the idea for the show from her older sister, Theresa, who held the first fashion show as her senior project two years ago. After a year without a show, Heintz and Kuzma, both models in the original show, decided to start it up again. The girls, neither of whom had any previous design experience, took old clothes and recreated 32 girls' and 15 boys' outfits, coordinating male and female outfits. Wyoming Seminary student Lauren Timek styled hair and applied makeup to the models.

The girls modeled the show's look from that of fashion designer Betsy Johnson, using balloons during the grand finale as Johnson does. The show raised over \$600 for the Dallas High School Mini Thon which benefits the Four Diamonds Fund, a non-profit organization that helps fight childhood cancer.



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Christina Toussaint peaks underneath the stage curtain to see who is in the audience at the Fun and Flirty Fashion Show. Toussaint was one of the student models who took part in the event.



Model Stephanie Dosiak has her mascara applied at the Fun and Flirty Fashion Show which featured 19 models consisting of 13 girls, nine boys and Dallas High School teacher Michael Cherinka and Principal Jeffrey Shaffer.



Models congregate behind the scenes at the Fun and Flirty Fashion Show, the senior completion project of Dallas High School juniors Katrina Heintz and Alexis Kuzma.



**Models Justin Eimers and** Stephanie Dosiak make their entrance at the Fun and **Flirty Fashion** Show that raised over \$600 for the **Dallas High School Mini** Thon. Proceeds from the Mini Thon go to the Four Diamonds Fund, a non-profit organization that helps fight childhood cancer.

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Dallas High School teacher Michael Cherinka and Principal Jeffrey Shaffer strut their stuff at the Fun and Flirty Fashion Show on March 13 at Dallas Middle School. The show was the senior completion project of Dallas High School juniors Katrina Heintz and Alexis Kuzma.

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