

'Jersey Boys' visit Binghamton, give advice to students pursuing music goals



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The "Jersey Boys" visited Binghamton Wednesday

BINGHAMTON (WBNG) -- The "Jersey Boys" are in Binghamton Wednesday night and they are giving students a special behind the scenes look.

Wednesday afternoon, the Jersey Boys gave students vocal lessons at Binghamton High School. They say they want to inspire students to follow their dreams.

Students were given advice on how to project their voices as well as how to stand tall. The performers say getting this insight is especially important as they didn't always have the opportunity when they were younger.

Kevin Patrick Martin has over 10 roles in the production and said he hopes students learn they can make their dreams a reality.

"I didn't know that it could be a career and so to hopefully inspire some of them to follow that path could be really awesome," he said.

Music director, Michael Kaish, said he hopes the music session not only strengthens their singing, but also their courage to perform.

"The first time doing something, it can be scary and that's okay," Kaish said. "The first

time is always weird, but you need to do it once to do it twice."

Sean McGee plays the role of Bob Crewe and said aspiring actors need to be tenacious and resilient.

"I hope that they take away that it takes a lot of practice and coming back round after round and just not getting it right away doesn't mean that you won't get it ever," he said.

They also told students that "everyone gets nervous," but to follow their passion.

"A lot of people will tell you different things, good advice, bad advice, but you have to stick to who you are and know that and just keep going after that," McGee said.

The performers said not only do they enjoy performing, but they also love interacting with the crowd and community. They said they hope the students learn to trust themselves and to never give up.



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