

# Wednesday airs

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Netflix's new series Wednesday just recently dropped and has been in the top ten for tv shows for nearly two weeks now. This series is a spinoff of the 1960's sitcom The Addams Family that stars their eldest daughter Wednesday. It depicts Wednesday's journey as she enters a new school, Nevermore, for 'outcasts' and troubled teens. Outcasts are the supernatural of this world-werewolves, sirens, vampires and more are the main groups featured at Nevermore. The show starts off by showing the tension between Wednesday and her mother Morticia and how Wednesday intends to break away from her mother's influence. The series is depicted as a teenage murder mystery that keeps the watcher on the edge of their seat throughout each episode. I truly had no idea who the murderer would be in the end was very surprised come the final episode.

Wednesday is the perfect show for finding your own way in life and figuring out who to truly trust. My only criticism with the show is that it was very Wednesday-esque, but it did not depict the Addams family as much as I would have liked them to. The Addams family was originally depicted as the odd version of the 1950's American dream family, but in the newest version the Addams family does not seem as united as they have in the past. While the casting was perfect, the characters did not have the right chemistry to accurately portray the Addams family.

Spoiler Warning: the rest of this article contains spoilers for Netflix's Wednesday series. The love triangle between Wednesday, Xavier, and Tyler honestly felt forced in my opinion. Wednesday made it very clear from day one

that she would not make a good friend or partner because she would put her goal above people. She was villainized by both her friends and suitors for this even though she made her intentions clear. Also, the anger from both Tyler and Xavier put Wednesday in very awkward situations that easily could have been avoided had they thought with their heads and been mature. The only reason there was a relationship between the three of them was for plot drama when it was revealed that Tyler was the hyde. And the cliché lover betrayal by Tyler felt like an overused stereotype. Overall, I was not a huge fan of the love triangle as I felt it did not further the plot in any true way. This could have been done just as easily if they were friends, I can never truly see Wednesday's character putting her goals aside for another person romantically, it does not fit her character at all especially in this series.

I adore the fact that they brought in Christina Ricci to be the main villain, her performance as young Wednesday in the 1991 version of The Addams Family is probably the most well known and her appearance in this version just brought the show together even more. The entire cast was very well thought out and overall each actor went above and beyond in their performances. Jenna Ortega was the perfect casting for Wednesday and in her interviews she talks about practicing not blinking in each scene to give Wednesday an even more eerie vibe which I adore. The work she put into her work really shined through in the series and anyone watching can tell how hard she and the cast worked together to put out an amazing show for fans of the Addams family. I think that this spinoff is one of the best and despite criticism will remain one of the best there is.



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