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"I was so blown away and impressed! Cheska seriously owned the stage and that is such a remarkable quality for a musician to have at such an early age!!"

-See Joe Rock

"Cheska Zaide's vocals shine, allowing her confidence to create a stage performance resembling the nature of a true rock star."

-Magazine 33

"Listening to the first few chords of the A+ Dropout's cover of "Helter Skelter" won't necessarily produce any raised eyebrows. Just wait. Wait until lead singer Cheska Zaide wails out the opening lyrics, echoing McCartney in all the best ways. With her dry sense of humor and maturity beyond her years, Cheska fits well into the role of band leader. Stylized with an emo-punk wardrobe and hyper stage persona, she helps the A+ Dropouts command the stage in a way that makes you forget you're listening to 13-year-olds.

-Loudoun Times Extra

"The A+ Dropouts display more confidence, more ability to engage the audience, and more technical skill than many bands twice their age! It is adorable, and compelling!"

-Jeremy Weiss, LAUNCH Music Conference Co-Director & Founder

"When the A+ Dropouts cut class and play in your town, call in sick and check out these young rockstars steal the show! The A+ Dropouts in their early teens bring to the stage what rockstars spend lifetimes perfecting. Front woman Cheska Zaide and her bandmates have stage presence, style, and a sound carved from rock and roll legends. Don't miss them in your town because this isn't your local talent show or battle of the bands. This is the real deal, you will not be disappointed!"

-Launch Exhibitor

"Cheska is a hard core little rocker, as lively as Steven Tyler from Aerosmith, but as cute as Nelly Furtado..."
-Finnegan's Irish Pub

"Cheska is rock' n roll all the way. Her appearance on stage is outstanding, and the rocker look she has going on is fantastic. She may look great onstage, but her vocals are off the hook!" She doesn't just stand there and sing she is all over the stage putting on a great show.

-Stars2Come

"The A+ Dropouts were a pleasure to work with and their performance was well beyond their years. They were professional in every respect and had a positive impact on the whole production. Their performance was vibrant and filled with enthusiasm. Cheska led the band and got the crowd involved at various points. Overall it was an impressive performance."

-Park Rock 2010

"I really like the band's performance. I think their strongest asset was the energy that they brought to the stage. You could really feel their passion and love of the music they were playing. It was hard to believe that the band was so young, but had so much talent. Cheska was definitely the most enthusiastic member of the band, as should be expected with a lead singer."

-Live on Woodrow Wilson Plaza

"I can say that if every band I have booked in the last 20 years worked as hard as the A+ Dropouts many more bands would be charting with successful recordings and profitably touring. The kids put on a great show and it is obvious that they are very well rehearsed and comfortable with the stage. Anyone looking to book a group that will attract and hold a young audience will be pleased with the show presented by The A+ Dropouts."

-Roanoke Festival in the Park

"Did anybody see the band that just played before us? I think I'm gonna need to get lessons for all of us, they just showed us what rock and roll really is!"

-Jonathan Cook (Lead Vocalist of Forever the Sickest Kids)

