

DARIA (*Cartoon*)

BROADCAST HISTORY:

MTV

30 minutes

Produced: 1997-2002 (69 episodes)

Premiered: *March 3, 1997*

VOICES:

Daria MorgendorfferTracy Grandstaff

Quinn Morgendorffer, Helen Morgendorffer,

Jayne LaneWendy Hoopes

Jake Morgendorffer.....Julian Rebolledo

Trent Lane Alvaro J. Gonzalez

Brittany Taylor Janie Mertz

Kevin Thompson, Mr. DeMartino, Mr. O'Neill

..... Marc Thompson

In this spin-off from *Beavis and Butthead*, the boys' sardonic friend Daria – the brainy girl with the big glasses and the permanent smirk – got a life of her own, at Lawndale High School. But what a life. Her successful parents, Jake and Helen, couldn't figure her out. Her self-esteem teacher couldn't remember her name. And her fellow students, well, they were dummies anyway. What made it all bearable was that Daria viewed such nonsense with wry bemusement. When her parents worried that she had low self-esteem, she merely replied, "I have low esteem for everyone else." Quinn was her dumb, sexy sister, and Jayne Lane her sarcastic friend.

In the series finale (a TV movie called *Is It College Yet?*), Daria failed to get into fancy Ivy League college Bromwell, but was accepted at Raft College; Jayne, after some agonizing, went to Boston Fine Arts College; and Brittany (and the other cheerleaders) wound up at Great Prairie State University.

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