

**Denton Independent School District
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FINE ARTS

Band, orchestra, choir students win state honors

Fourteen students from Denton ISD's high school fine arts departments have been named to the All-State music performance groups. They will perform in their respective groups at the Texas Music Educators State conference Feb. 14-18 in San Antonio.

These students competed with thousands of students statewide to attain the prestigious all-state performance title. They began auditioning for these all-state positions in September with only a few hundred selected statewide to perform at TMEA.

Denton High

The Denton High Band students, who placed in the All-State Band are:

Julie Lee, senior, flute;
Taerim Kim, junior, clarinet;
Rebecca Chadwell, junior, trumpet;
Austin Ford, senior, percussion.

Director is Mike Hancock and Associate Band Director is Brian Wilson and Associate Band Director for Percussion is Sean Redman.

The Denton High Choir students who placed in the All-State Choir are:

Katy Chiles, senior, Alto 1
Lindsay Swartwood, senior, Alto 2;
Hannah Lane, freshman, Alto 2;
Duval West, junior, Tenor 2;
Emily Hart, Soprano 2 – first alternate, junior,
Director is Mark Baker and Assistant Director is Michael Pricer.

The Denton High Orchestra students who placed in the All-State Orchestra are:

Sabrina Mackenzie, junior, violist;
Alicia Ponder, senior, violist;

This is the third consecutive year for these two students to make All-State Orchestra.

Director is David Mairs.

Guyer High

The Guyer High Orchestra student who placed in the All-State Orchestra is:

Kathy Wang, freshman, violin;
Orchestra Director is Michelle Brians.

Ryan High

The Ryan High Band student, who placed for All-State Band is:
Megan Robinson, senior, flute;
Director is Eddy Russell and Assistant Director is Lee Smith.

The Ryan High Choir students who placed in the All-State Choir are:
Charlotte Jones, junior, Alto;
Lauren Gish, junior, soprano; Director is David Rives and Assistant Director is Scott Thompson.

Choir students named to attend national conference

Three students from the Woodrow Wilson Elementary School Choir and one from the Houston Elementary School Choir have been selected as members of the Organization of American Kodaly Educators (OAKE) National Children's Choir.

To be selected, the students had to submit vocal audition tapes. They will join 150 other fourth- through sixth-grade singers from across the United States to perform at OAKE's National Music Conference's final concert in Chicago, Ill. from March 22 to 25.

The three students - under the direction of Cecile Johnson at Wilson Elementary - include:

Hannah Cheek – who has been selected for the fourth year in a row and is now a student at Strickland Middle School

Austin Mann

Emma Rose Pattison

The student - under the direction of Christine Beutner at Houston Elementary – is:
Elizabeth Jolly