



To: Board of Education
From: Amy Melinder, Director of Community Engagement
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Re: District Highlights

Comments: **Students receive choral award**

Two members of the Jefferson Singers, Chloe Nettnin and Avery Putnam, have been recognized by the Downers Grove Choral Society as recipients of the Dimis Wyman Choral Music Education Award. This award is presented to area 7th and 8th grade students who demonstrate outstanding talent in vocal music. The \$200 award can be used to help pay for further educational opportunities, such as private voice lessons or summer music camp. Each student completed an application and submitted a letter of recommendation as part of the process. A Woodridge 68 student hasn't received this honor since 2015, and it is especially exciting to have two winners in the same year!

Donation received in support of literacy

Woodridge 68 received a generous donation of 500 drawstring bags, each filled with 3 new books, 3 bookplates, a bookmark and an activity sheet from Trane Technologies through the non-profit Reading is Fundamental. Representatives from Trane Commercial in Willowbrook hand-delivered the book bags to students in K-3 classrooms at Edgewood. The remaining bags were distributed to other elementary students across the district.