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FOXBORO HIGH SCHOOL MUSICIANS AMONG THE BEST IN THE DISTRICT

After recent auditions, musicians from the Foxboro High School Music Program have once again ranked among the best in the district, and are headed to the Southeastern Senior District Festival in January 11-12, 2008 in Barnstable. Several of the auditioning students also have qualified to audition for the All-State Festival, which will be held in March 2008.

The purpose of the District and All-State Festivals are two-fold: to provide additional music enrichment opportunities for students, and to provide a chance for musicians from throughout the state to interact and perform together. Steve Massey, Director of Music for the Foxboro Public Schools, says “the entire audition process – deciding to participate, preparing pieces, playing at the actual audition – is an outstanding learning opportunity for all our students. To then be selected, and participate in the festival under the direction of some of the best conductors in the region and with other excellent high school musicians is a further honor which reflects the hard work and dedication so many of these students put into their music each and every day.”

Students earning a spot in the district festival include:

District Band: Julia DiCanzio—11th grade, French horn; Kevin Eagan—9th grade, French horn; Jenny Greenleaf—12th grade, clarinet; Andrew Grube—12th grade, tuba; Haley Ienello—11th grade, flute; Eric Kenseth—11th grade, percussion; Robert Mortenson—10th grade, tuba; Dan Mullen—12th grade, euphonium; Marian Navedo—11th grade, clarinet; Caitlin O’Brien—12th grade, clarinet; Anna Opatka—10th grade, bassoon; Blair Read—11th grade, bassoon; Cassandra Shaw—12th grade, clarinet; Griffin Vacheron—11th grade, trombone.

District Orchestra: Heather Cronin—11th grade, French horn; Codi McNeff—11th grade, oboe.

District Jazz Band: Michel Helou—12th grade, tenor sax; Nathan McNeff—12th grade, trombone; Matthew Muirhead—10th grade, trumpet; Brendan Thomas—9th grade, alto sax.

District Chorus: Christopher Crocker—12th grade, bass; Jeff Dietzel—11th grade, bass; Jose Navedo—12th grade, bass; Ethan Scarduzio—12th grade, bass.

Students qualifying to audition for the All-State Festival are those with the top scores in each of the 5 district competitions. The Foxboro students who qualified to audition include: Christopher Crocker, Julia DiCanzio, Jeff Dietzel, Jenny Greenleaf, Andrew Grube, Michel Helou, Eric Kenseth, Codi McNeff, Nathan McNeff, Matthew Muirhead, Maria Navedo, Caitlin O’Brien, Blair Read, Cassandra Shaw, Brendan Thomas, and Griffin Vacheron.

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