

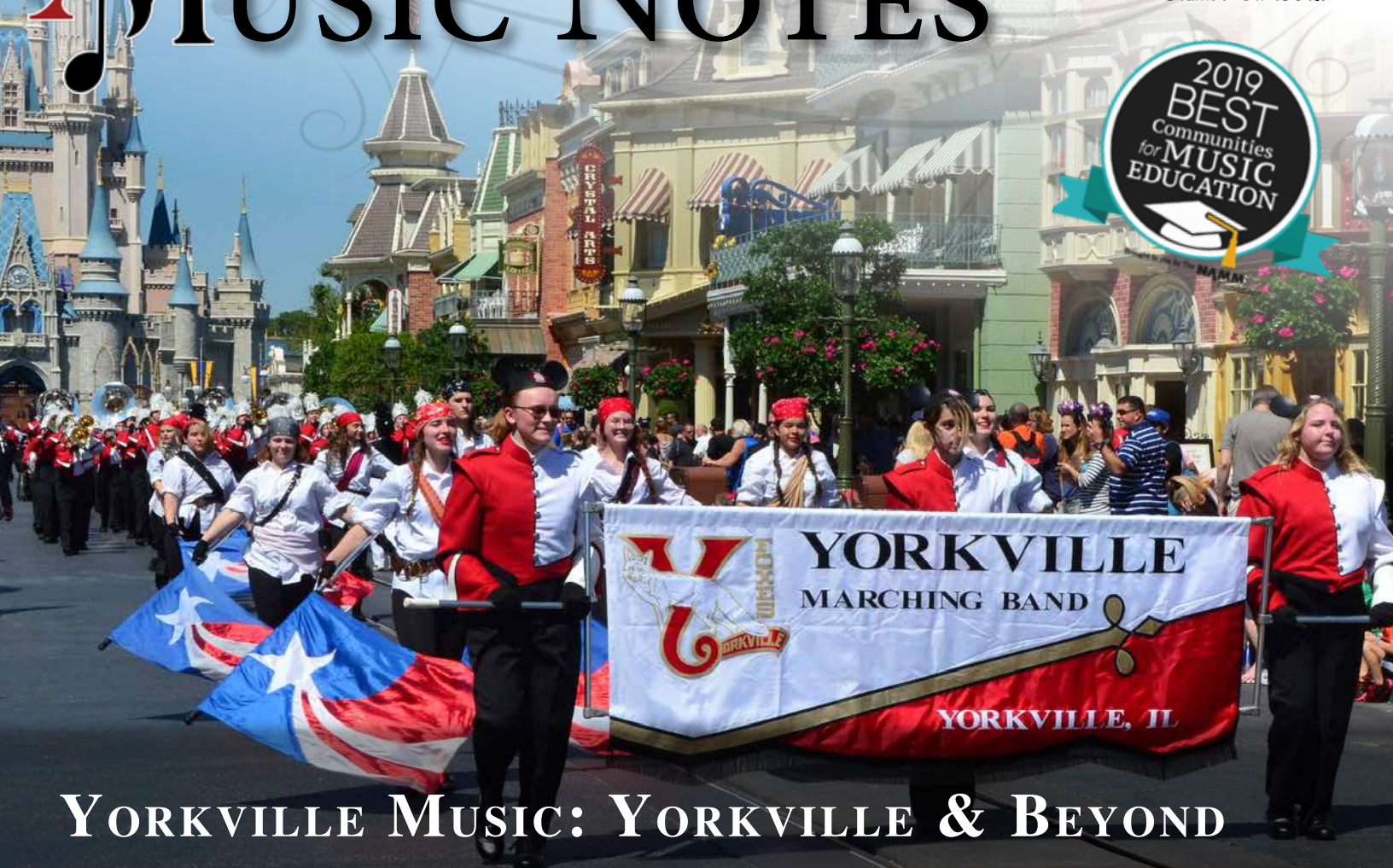
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YORKVILLE MUSIC: YORKVILLE & BEYOND

Yorkville Music offers students the possibilities of performing for world re-known clinicians, artists, and composers. Yorkville Music provides the opportunity to travel as ambassadors of Yorkville High School, the City of Yorkville, and the State of Illinois. Yorkville Music is proud of how our students represent themselves, their families, our school, and our community. Yorkville Music, for the second time, has been awarded the NAMM Best Communities for Music Education. Yorkville Music creates a family-like atmosphere. Yorkville Music has proud and supportive parents, community members, teachers, and administrators. Yorkville Music is opportunity for students. Yorkville Music puts Yorkville on the map in the world of music. Our students who choose to continue being musicians post high school have an advantage over their peers from other communities because of their experiences in Yorkville. Yorkville Music is collaboration, cooperation, discipline, innovation, creativity, and perserverance. Yorkville Music develops human beings with sensitivity. Yorkville Music prepares engineers, technicians, historians, doctors, lawyers, teachers, and of course, lifelong musicians!

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2018-2019 Yorkville Music - Mission: Outreach

Listed below are 90 educators, clinicians, judges, composers, and performing artists from all over the country who have heard and/or worked with Yorkville Musicians this year. There are 25 different Colleges & Universities and 12 states represented on this list. We are proud that Yorkville Music Students who continue performing in postsecondary school are 'walking in the door' with a desirable music education with a reputation of a community that supports music. It is the mission of Yorkville Music to expose our students to postsecondary education frequently and often to promote lifelong artists and patrons of the arts.

Luther Appel - Port High School, Green Bay
Brett Axel - Performing Artist, Chicago, IL
Keith Baker - Edwardsville High School, IL
Phil Beale - Performing Artist, Chicago, IL
Sue Blaese - Elmhurst College
Dr. Glenn Block - Illinois State University
Dr. Sergey Bogza - Millikin University
Julian Bond - Performing Artist, Orlando, FL
Michael Boo - Chesterton, IN
Dr. Tom Bough - Northern Illinois University
Andrew Boysen - University of New Hampshire
Allison Branch - Chicago, IL
Cassie Brooks - Chicago, IL
Marcellus Brown - Boise State University
Dr. Thomas Caneva - Ball State University
Richard Clary - Florida State University
Dave Cooksey - Brookfield, WI
Debbie Crosser - Chicago, IL
Marie Czapinski - Chicago, IL
Chuck Cummings - Bolingbrook, IL
Dr. Julia Davids - North Park University
Derek Deakins - Performing Artist, Orlando, FL
Stacey Larson-Dolan - Vandercook College
Beth Earl - Chicago, IL
Dwight Emmert - Evansville, IN
Rob Ferguson - Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Dr. Richard Fischer - Concordia University, Chicago
Dr. Guy Forbes - Millikin University
Tom Garling - Performing Artist, Chicago, IL
Dr. Sarah Gentry - Illinois State University
Randy Gilmore - Sarasota, FL
Judith Grimes - Elmhurst College
John Heath - Batavia High School (retired)
Kirsten Hedegaard - Loyola University
Dr. James Hile - Elmhurst College
William Himes - Composer, Elmhurst, IL
Dr. Paula Holcomb - Fredonia State University, NY
Dr. Brad Holmes - Millikin University
Clifford Hunt - Joliet, IL
Dr. Jon Hurty - Augustana College
Sonja Hurty - Augustana College
Jon Irabagon - Performing Artist, New York, NY
AnDrea James - St. Charles, IL
Mr. Bill Jastrow - Nequa Valley High School (retired)
Chris Johnson - Performing Artist, Los Angeles, CA

Dr. Eric Johnson - Northern Illinois University
Ken Karlin - Ben Davis High School, Indianapolis
Dr. Sean Kelley - North Central College, Naperville
Dr. William Koehler - Illinois State University
Bryan Kunstman - Kaneland, IL
Nick Lambert - Somonauk High School
Dr. James Lambrecht - Augustana College
Al Legutki - Benedictine University
Dr. Kate Lewis - Illinois State University
Todd Long - Performing Artist, Orlando, FL
Brian McCormick - Phoenix, AZ
Dr. Andrew Megill - University of Illinois
Jennifer Mills - Aurora University
Marc Moss - New Palestine, IN
Dr. Alicia Neal - Eastern Illinois University
Amanda Nelson - Dekalb, IL
Despina Pafalides - Chicago, IL
Ron Polancich - York Community High School (retired)
Stephen Pratt - Indiana University (retired)
Jack Pursifull - Indianapolis, IN
Dr. Adriana Ransom - Illinois State University
Peter Rosheger - New Trier High School
Rebecca Rudy - Naperville, IL
Tom Santino - Community School South, Pembroke Pines, FL
Glen Schneider - Metea Valley High School
Dr. Mary Schneider - Eastern Michigan University
Kevin Schoenbach - Oswego High School
Dr. Scott Schumann - Mt. Pleasant, MI
Derrick Shannon - Plainfield, IN
Dr. Robert Sinclair - VanderCook College
Drew Solomonson - Atlanta, GA
Jo Smith - Mascoutah High School
Joel Smith - Aurora, IL
Ibe Sodawalla - Davenport University, Grand Rapids, MI
Dr. Daniel Sommerville - Wheaton College
Marisa Spevak - Spevak Percussion Concepts, Oswego, IL
Vern Spevak - Spevak Percussion Concepts, Oswego, IL
Chip Staley - Nequa Valley High School (retired)
Dr. Ben Stiers - Illinois State University
Jim Stombres - St. Charles North High School (retired)
Randy Swiggum - Elgin Youth Symphony
Dr. Tom Tallman - College of Dupage
Annarita Tanzi - Des Plaines, IL
Kim Wallace - University of Maryland
Alfred Watkins - Lassiter High School, GA (retired)



**YHS Music Trip
March 21-27, 2019
Orlando, Florida
255 travelers**



*Culver's
Cares*



On April 3rd, 2019, the Music Boosters hosted a successful Culver's Night fundraiser! Band and orchestra students from Autumn Creek, Bristol Bay, Grande Reserve, Yorkville Intermediate and the Yorkville Middle School came out to perform their solo and small en-

semble literature! The performances were fantastic and provided another opportunity for our Yorkville music students to showcase their talent to the community! Thanks to all who came out that night and supported our students and the Music Boosters!

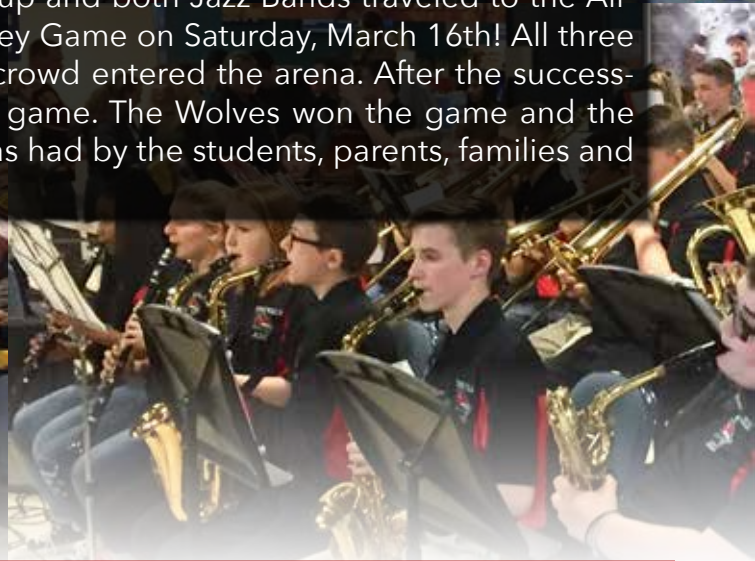


CHICAGO WOLVES



YMS Performs at the Chicago Wolves Game

The Yorkville Middle School Alternative Strings Group and both Jazz Bands traveled to the All-state Arena to perform at the Chicago Wolves Hockey Game on Saturday, March 16th! All three groups performed before the game began as the crowd entered the arena. After the successful performances the students stayed to watch the game. The Wolves won the game and the students were given free merchandise. Much fun was had by the students, parents, families and directors!



Naperville Big Band Jazz Festival

Yorkville High School's Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Band performed at the Naperville Big Band Jazz Festival at Neuqua Valley High School on Saturday, March 16. Both bands had great performances and received a clinic from adjudicators Tom Garling, Kevin Schoenbach, Jim Stombres, and Dr. Tom Tallman. All students attended a concert by the Pete Ellman Big Band featuring

this year's guest artists: Tony Kadleck, Grace Kelly, and Andy Martin. Additionally, each of the guest artists provided instrument specific masterclasses, which was the highlight of the day for many of the students!



Andy Martin, Los Angeles



Grace Kelly, Boston



Tony Kadleck, NY

Jon Irabagon Clinic

On March 11, 2019, members of the Yorkville High School Jazz Ensemble had the great opportunity to have a clinic with New York saxophonist, Jon Irabagon. During the clinic, Mr. Irabagon worked with the students on a number of musical concepts such as improvisation, transcribing solos, listening, and the importance of making goals. Additionally, he shared his journey as to how he ended up where he is today and shared a variety of experiences that shaped him into the musician and person he is today.

The winner of the 2008 Thelonious Monk Saxophone Competition, Irabagon has since topped both the Rising Star Alto Saxophone and the Rising Star Tenor Saxophone categories in the DownBeat Magazine Critics' Poll and been named one of Time Out New York's 25 New York City Jazz Icons. Jon was also named 2012 Musician of the Year in The New York City Jazz Record.

"Saxophonist Jon Irabagon is a subverter of the jazz form," declares Martin Longley in his Irabagon feature in the August issue of The New York City Jazz Record. "He's a revolutionary who's secretly messing with the changes. He might be dismantling the music's mechanics from the inside, but from the outside he can frequently persuade a crowd that he's an old-school practitioner. There are few players who can so deftly stride from postbop to free improvisation, avant country to doom metal and then wander from chaotic collage-spraying to sleek-blowing fluency."

Irabagon has performed and/or recorded with such luminaries as Wynton Marsalis, Evan Parker, Dave Douglas, Herbie Hancock, Billy Joel, the Maria Schneider Orchestra, Kenny Wheeler, Christian McBride, Joey DeFrancesco, Tom Harrell, Conor Oberst, Kenny Barron, Lou Reed, Rufus Reid, Nicholas Payton, Darcy James Argue's Secret Society, Jah Wobble, Michael Buble, George Cables, Bill Laswell, Tom Rainey, Mary Halvorson and Peter Evans, to name a few.

Jon's record label, Irabagast Records, has currently released six of his own efforts, including I Don't Hear Nothin' but the Blues Volume 2: Appalachian Haze (with Mike Pride and Mick Barr), Outright! Unhinged (with Ralph Alessi,



Jacob Sacks, John Hebert and Tom Rainey), It Takes All Kinds (featuring Mark Helias and Barry Altschul), Behind the Sky (featuring Tom Harrell, Luis Perdomo, Yasushi Nakamura and Rudy Royston), Inaction is an Action (a solo soprano saxophone recording) and Dr. Quixotic's Traveling Exotics (with Tim Hagans, Luis Perdomo, Yasushi Nakamura and Rudy Royston). As an educator, Irabagon has led masterclasses

in Japan, England, the US, Argentina,

Scotland, Norway, Mexico and Denmark, as well as leading residencies at Temple University, Columbia College and Hunter College, among others.





YMS Jazz to Perform with The Vern Spevak Big Band

The Yorkville Middle School Jazz Band will be opening for the Vern Spevak Big Band on Sunday, May 5th! This is an outstanding performance opportunity for the YMS jazz students! Vern Spevak is the education director of Spevak Percussion Concepts, Inc., one of the Midwest's largest and most widely acclaimed privately owned percussion schools. As a private instructor and clinician, Mr. Spevak remains highly in demand as a percussion consultant to many schools throughout the Chicagoland and Northern Illinois area. As a freelance percussionist, Mr. Spevak has been a featured soloist and performer with Motown legend Mary Wilson (of the Supremes) and NBC Tonight Show host Jay Leno. Throughout the years, Vern Spevak has won countless

awards and high recognition for his percussion skills which include a Chicago Emmy Award for a performance on WTTW (Channel 11 Chicago), which was filmed and performed with drumming legend Louis Bellson.

Vern Spevak is the bandleader/drummer for the Vern Spevak Big Band, a project which features some of Chicagoland's top jazz musicians including Yorkville's very own Mr. Anderson! The band performs for concerts and educational events at high schools and colleges throughout the Midwest. The Yorkville Middle School Jazz Band is honored to have the opportunity to perform with Vern Spevak Big Band!



YMS End Of Year Music Trips



The YMS 7th Grade Band and Orchestra students travelled to Elmhurst College on April 23rd for a performance/clinic. The band performed for clinician Judith E. Grimes, and the orchestra performed for clinician Sue Blaese. Following the performance and clinic, students took a campus tour, and topped off the day with lunch and games at Enchanted Castle.

The YMS 8th Grade Band, Choir, and Orchestra will be heading to the Six Flags for the Music in the Parks Contest on Saturday, May 18th. After performing in the competition, students will head to Six Flags and enjoy the thrilling rides of the park.



Northern Illinois University & Millikin University Choirs Visit YHS



The YHS choir program hosted two college choirs this semester. The first was the Northern Illinois University Concert Choir which visited the high school on February 13th. The Concert Choir is the flagship performing ensemble of NIU, singing under the direction of Dr. Eric Johnson. The choir performed a number of pieces for our seventh period varsity choir and as a finale sang, *Make Our Garden Grow* from the operetta "Candide" by Leonard Bernstein.

The second group to visit was the Millikin Tudor Voices who sang for us first period Friday April 5th. Tudor Voices is a select ensemble of 18 singers who perform madrigal music from the 15th and 16th centuries, as well as some contemporary compositions. This group is directed by Dr. Guy Forbes who is also a composer. The choir sang two of his compositions for us, a setting of *Ubi Caritas* and a setting of *O Magnum Mysterium*. We were also very excited to have the Tudor Voices perform for us because a YHS graduate, Alicia Rosier, sings with this group. Alicia is a music education major at Millikin and sang a large solo for us on the piece *Only in Sleep* by Eriks Esenvalds.



Yorkville Welcomes World-Reknown Composer William Himes

The Yorkville Middle School and Yorkville High School bands welcomed composer William Himes to Yorkville the week prior to fine arts fest. Mr. Himes spent a day traveling between the two schools to work with our young performers from the YHS Concert Band, and YMS 7th and 8th grade bands. In addition to helping us polish our concert selections he also entertained us with stories from his experiences as a teacher, performer, composer and even treated us to some impromptu composing on the piano! He then joined us again to conduct all three bands as they each performed one of his works for wind band at the fine arts festival.



Well known for his beautiful compositions and arrangements, William Himes has more than two hundred publications to his credit. Mr. Himes earned his Bachelor's and

Masters of Music degrees from the University of Michigan. During his thirty-eight year long career as an educator he taught musicians from the elementary through college level, including serving as the adjunct low brass instructor at the University of Michigan - Flint. Mr. Himes continues to be in demand as conductor, composer, lecturer, clinician, euphonium soloist, and has performed throughout the world.



Mr. Himes recently retired as the long-standing Music Director of The Salvation Army - Central Territory. He currently conducts the Chicago Staff Band, an internationally recognized brass band.



8th Annual Fine Arts Festival



Saturday, March 9th marked the Y115 Eighth Annual Fine Arts Festival. The festival featured the full force of Yorkville's Fine Arts Department and organizational skills of the Yorkville Music Boosters. Thirty-five different musical groups representing fifth through twelfth grades wowed audiences and art displayed around the school dazzled attendees. The art department's annual Empty Bowls Fundraiser raised \$1,413.93 for the Kendall County Food Pantry. The event was a celebration of the creativity, accomplishments, and achievements of the Yorkville Fine Arts.

YMS Jazz Season A Success!!!

This year approximately 50 students were involved in the YMS Jazz Lab and YMS Jazz Band! We had a successful season filled with friend making, musical risk taking, limit stretching, and a lot of learning. Our performance experiences this year included the February jazz concert with the YHS jazz groups, Fine Arts Festival, a clinic session with jazz artist Phil Beale, playing at a Chicago Wolves hockey game, and the YMS Jazz Band will be opening for the Vern Spevak Big Band on May 5th! We concluded our season with a jazz party that involved pizza, pop, guitar hero, and a lot of laughter. Thanks for a great season YMS jazz!



PLAY YOUR INSTRUMENT THIS SUMMER WITH THE YORKVILLE COMMUNITY BAND

The Yorkville Community Band will be continuing their tradition of celebrating Independence Day with the City of Yorkville. The band participates in the morning parade and a concert in Towne Square immediately following the parade. This talented group of local musicians is excited to extend an invitation to anyone and everyone who would like to join in on the 4th of July festivities.

For 27 years, persons of various ages have come together to provide the community with patri-

otic music to enhance the 4th of July celebration and community spirit. Students, ranging from middle school to college, are able to participate alongside community members, parents, teachers, and alumni in a performance venue like no other! Not only musicians, but color guard personnel are also invited to participate.

For more information including rehearsal schedule, and how to join the Yorkville Community Band go to www.yorkvillemusic.org/ycb



Fox Valley Music Festival

On Sunday and Monday April 28-29th, band, choir, and orchestra students from Yorkville High School joined a cast of nearly 500 students from 13 area high schools for the 90th annual Fox Valley Music Festival. Guest conductors for the day were Mr. Jim Stombres (Band), a retired band conductor with 30 years of experience teaching at Batavia, Naperville North, and St. Charles North High Schools; Dr. Robert Sinclair (Choir), Director of Choral Activities at VanderCook Col-

lege or music in Chicago; and Peter Rosheger (Orchestra), orchestra conductor at New Trier High School.

The festival was held this year at East Aurora High School and culminated in a concert with a finale performance of Sine Nomine with the combined band, choir, and orchestra.

The Fox Valley Music Festival has a long tradition of excellence. Established in 1928, it is the oldest music festival in the country. This event gives students the opportunity to collaborate with other students from across the Fox Valley area, work with excellent conductors/teachers, and perform in an ensemble of high quality.

2019 Fox Valley Music Festival participants in the orchestra included: Myriah Garcia, Elaine Santos, Zachary Gustafson, Logan Sheridan, Tommy Kaufman, Erin Wilcox, Alexandria Meyers, Hannah Montelauro, Jessie Anaya, Haley Richmond, Mirage Aguilar, Nick Gerakaris, Mariah Trenado, Arielle Encabo, Lucas Besaw, Anabela Penland, Ian Bello, Madilyn Hill, Haley Lansdown, Brandon Campos, Blake Bowers, Erik Mattson, Matthew Litchfield, Ava Fitchel, Adam Borowiak, David Caballero, Tori Cavey, Katie Friel, Riley Herbst, Lilly Longino, Abby Sleeden, and Danica Tuohy. **Participants in the choir included:** Billy Riley, Nuria Pugh, Lindsey Burke, Daijonay Jones, Brooke LaFollette, Madisyn Bradford, Madeleine McKinley, Jacob Noble-Lawson, Payton Tarulis-Morris, Rowan Ring, Kyle McCurdy, Reyna Fitzgerald, Veronica Alcaraz, Konnor Rome, Hannah Price, Zeke Amposta, Carter Shimp, William Anaya, and Connor Behrens. **Participants in the band included:** Alex Adams, Ralph Cobb, Max Edman, Tess Fogelberg, Cora Hemby, Zachary Karpel, Corey Kramer, Josh Larsen, Cassie Pomierski, Krista Pytko, Gaby Quiroga, Somara Quinones, Tony Ruiz, Carter Schmidt, Sal Soldana, and Peter Standaert.

Final Northern Illinois Big XII Conference Band/Choir Festivals



Students from Yorkville High School participated in the ninth annual and final Northern Illinois Big XII Conference Choral and Band Festivals. For the all-day festivals, students prepared music outside of class to rehearse and perform with over 100 other students from Yorkville's athletic conference. Students brought this music together under the direction of highly acclaimed directors.

This year's Northern Illinois Big XII Choral Festival at Morris Community High School featured guest conductor, Dr. Brad Holmes from Millikin University. Dr. Holmes is the Director of Choir Programs at Millikin and leads the University Choir.

Students in the Freshman/Sophomore Choir included: Brooke La-Follette, Kacey Carnithan, Julia Lietz, JesStudents in the Choir included: Victoria Crawford, Hannah Divin, Gabriela Quiroga, Jessica Joseph, Veronica Alcaraz, Katie Orisek, Kacey Carnithan, Scott Carter, Aidan Donahue, Bryan Tamayo, Zeke Amposta, Thomas Queen, Connor Peach, and Noah Overturf.



NIB XII Choir Students

Those who participated in the Northern Illinois Big XII Conference Band Festival at LaSalle-Peru High School were under the direction of Dr. James Hile, Director of Bands Elmhurst College, and Mr. Bill Jastrow, Director of Bands at Neaqua Valley High School (retired).

Students in the NIB XII Band were: Caitlin Annunzio, Nancy Beckley, David Caballero, Tori Cavey, Ralph Cobb, Madi Childs, Zach Egert, Chase Evans, Katie Friel, Carly Gussman, Riley Herbst, Zach Karpriel, Mark Mattson, Catie O'Connor, Somara Quinones, Ava Rittgers, Peter Standaert, Danica Tuohy, Brooke Wayne, Jason Wilcox



NIB XII Band Students

Yorkville Music is looking forward to participating next year in the South West Prairie Athletic Conference and similar band & choir festivals with West Aurora, Joliet Schools, Minooka, Oswego Schools, Plainfield Schools, and Romeoville.



ILLINOIS MUSIC EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Congratulations to our 2019 ALL-STATE Musicians (L-R): Madi Childs (Clarinet), Katie Friel (Clarinet), Caitlin Annunzio (Clarinet), Jason Wilcox (Clarinet). These students, through a multi-step rigorous audition process, represented Yorkville Music at our state music conference in Peoria on January 23rd - 26th, 2019.



Y115 SOLO/ENSEMBLE FESTIVAL

On Saturday, February 16, over 350 students from the High School and the Middle School participated in Solo and Ensemble Festival at the High School. Students worked with great clinicians and represented Yorkville Music proudly! Added to the festival day this year, was Austin's Violin Shop and Ellman's Music who brought in their inventory and were able to show student's upgraded instruments

available for purchase. Throughout the day, students stopped by the D'Adarrio booth for a free clinic on reeds, as well as the fantastic Yorkville Music Booster tent which had items for sale. In addition, it was a treat to have Yorkville Alumnus, Nick Lambert, Joel Smith, and Marisa Spevak back as clinicians for our students. What a fantastic day of music making!



Congratulations to our "Best of the Day" Award winners: Stephanie Alvarez, Tyler Blievernicht, Brandon Campos, Brady Carrington, Tori Cavey, Kayla Demas, Jake DeVol, Ben Divin, Vaughn Duffey, Maisie Eckley, Elizabeth Falche, Austin Fallon, Jozelle Filippi, Kenzie Fox, Nick Gerakaris, Courtney Hall, Savannah Johnson, Thomas Kaufman, Andrew Lapinskas, Kelsey McGregor, Elle Moehring, Catie O'Connor, Cassie Pomierski, Niccolo Poretta, Joshua Pugh, Paris Roake, Max Rowe, Sophia Schuster, McKenzie Sefah, Phoebe Shaughnessy, Danica Tuohy, Matthew Wheeler, Jason Wilcox, Tessa Williams

YHS Wind Ensemble returns to SuperState Concert Band Invitational

Congratulations and good luck to the 2018-2019 YHS Wind Ensemble on their acceptance to Illinois' most prestigious Concert Band Invitational, "The University of Illinois SuperState Concert Band Festival" The Wind Ensemble will be performing Frank Ticheli's *Sanctuary* and David

Holsinger's, *Liturgical Dances* at 9 AM on Saturday, May 4th. Spectators may attend the festival free of charge and the performance will be broadcast live at www.yorkvillemusic.org. This marks YHS Wind Ensemble's 5th appearance at SuperState. Their last appearance was in 2015.



Jazz Showcase

Coming off a recent world tour with Beyonce and Jay-Z, Grammy-award winning trombonist **Chris Johnson** served as guest artist at the 16th annual Jazz Showcase at Yorkville High School on Friday, March 1, 2019. Mr. Johnson worked with both the YHS Jazz Ensemble and YHS Jazz Band in clinics prior to the concert, and was the featured soloist on a number of selections with both bands. Thank you to Mr. Johnson for such wonderful clinics, performances, and for sharing his experiences and passion with our musicians!

Grammy-award winner, Chris Johnson was born and raised in Los Angeles, California. Exposed to music at a very young age, he has always shown a true love and passion for music. Chris fell in love with the trombone when he was 11 years old after hearing his middle school music teacher playing one day after school. It was one of the most beautiful sounds he had ever heard. That was the moment he knew the trombone was the instrument for him.

He continued playing the trombone and studying music throughout high school, winning several awards on the way, including a full tuition music scholarship to the University of Arkansas Pine Bluff. While attending UAPB, Chris participated in as many musical ensembles that time would permit. He studied with UAPB's renowned music faculty cultivating a broader knowledge of music. He also got a chance to study and spend



time with the legendary jazz trumpeter Clark Terry. His time with Clark Terry inspired him to pursue a greater knowledge of the jazz art form.

Chris continued his musical studies at Northern Illinois University, where he studied with world-class jazz educator Ronald Carter and earned a Master of Music Degree in Jazz Studies. He also studied with Tom Garling and briefly with trombonist Wycliffe Gordon.

In 2013 Chris moved back home to Los Angeles and quickly became a highly sought after professional musician. He works as a freelance studio musician, horn arranger, performs, records and tours the world with some of the music industry's best. Some of these artists include, Stevie Wonder, Beyonce, Jay Z, Raphael Saadiq, Snoop Dogg, Ice Cube, Jamie Foxx, Mary Mary, Ledisi, Aloe Blacc, The Brandon Brown Collective, Jennifer Hudson, Solange Knowles, and Macy Gray. Chris teaches private lessons, does clinics and masterclasses for students of all ages. Chris leads his own group called The Chris Johnson Experience. The group performs regularly at clubs, festivals and private events across the country.

YMS Students see Blue Man Group

The YMS Choir and Drama department went to Chicago to see Blue Man Group at the Briar Street Theatre on Thursday, April 11. Students began their day by boarding two motor coach buses and took the interstate to Millennium Park. After a tour of Millennium Park, the group explored the shops and eateries at Navy Pier. Next, we had a delightful lunch at Hard Rock Cafe, followed by an intense show performed by three very talented, blue men. A great time was had by all!



Childs & Wilcox Compete Nationally on Clarinet

Madison Childs and Jason Wilcox, seniors at Yorkville High School, were selected once again to join other outstanding musicians from across the nation as part of Music for All's 2019 Honor Band of America. This is Madi's third time participating and Jason's second time. They were selected from numerous applicants for membership in this prestigious honor ensemble. Childs and Wilcox are members of the Yorkville High School Wind Ensemble under the direction of Victor Anderson and Bobby Vriezen. They are also members of the Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Allen Tinkham. They study under private instructor Garrett Matlock.

Both Wilcox and Childs play the clarinet and were selected by audition to rehearse and perform in concert as part of the Music for All National Festival, presented by Yamaha, March 14-16 in Indianapolis, Indiana. The Honor Band of America is recognized as one of the finest scholastic ensembles in America.

Childs and Wilcox join fellow Honor Band of America members from 24 states, representing 73 high schools. Ray Cramer, Professor Emeri-

tus, Indiana University, is the 2019 conductor. Madi Childs sat Principal chair and had the honor of being concertmaster for the National Honor Band of America.



The Honor Band of America performed in concert at 8:00 p.m. March 16 at Clowes Memorial Hall, located on the campus of Butler University. Members also participated in instrumental master classes and other gala Festival events and socials.

Members were selected by recorded audition, evaluated by leading music educators. "To be selected from among their peers for membership in this national ensemble is a great achievement and honor," says James P. Stephens, Jr., Director of Advocacy and Educational Resources for Music for All. "The 2019 Honor Band of America members are ambassadors of America's music programs, as well as their states, schools, and communities."

PRIVATE LESSONS ARE FOR EVERYONE!



Yorkville music students have the opportunity to receive individualized instruction with a professional musician on their specific instrument or voice through private lessons. Many private instructors live in the area and arrangements have been made to make private lessons accessible for Yorkville students.

Private lessons are the quickest and best way to improve. The most successful musicians in Yorkville are enrolled in private lessons. If your student is not currently enrolled in private lessons, now is the time to start! To find a private instructor for your student, refer to the private instructor lists on our music websites.

Orchestra Spring Showcase



On Friday, April 12 the Yorkville Music Department hosted the fourth annual Orchestra Spring Showcase at Yorkville High School. This concert featured the talents of the YMS Alternative Strings and YHS Chamber Strings along with guest artists from **Fox Crossing Stringband**. The four members of the band shared their talents by spending the afternoon with students in rehearsals, performing a special set for them, and holding a Q&A session about performing in the bluegrass style. Throughout the concert, students performed alongside the group on classic bluegrass tunes such as Country Roads and Foggy Mountain Breakdown. The evening concluded with all students and the band for a finale performance of Montana Cowgirl.

YMS Jazz Clinic with Phil Beale

On Thursday, March 7th, jazz drummer Phil Beale came to Yorkville Middle School to run a clinic session with the YMS Jazz Band. Phil Beale is a Chicago native jazz musician and music educator. Phil has received significant recognition as a musician. His music has been featured in the motion picture "With or Without You" and he has been featured in the Modern Drummer Magazine. Phil has toured and performed with many well-known musicians in several countries throughout the world. The Yorkville Middle School Jazz Band was thrilled to learn from him! He helped the band prepare for their performance at the Fine Arts Festival.



Illinois State University Orchestra Clinic

In February, our YHS Philharmonic and Symphony Orchestras went to Illinois State University along with 300 other Illinois high school students for their annual Orchestra Festival. While at ISU students had time to enjoy a faculty string perfor-

mance, received clinics with the ISU string faculty and director of orchestras, Dr. Glenn Block. To conclude the eventful day all participating high schools performed for each other in a final festival concert.





LITERACY & THE ARTS: YGS FOURTH ORIGINAL PRODUCTION

Over the past few months, Yorkville Grade School students have been reading books in music, art, PE, Information Literacy, Technology class, and library. Inspired by Yorkville Reads author, Katherine Roy, the books were written and illustrated by several different authors and illustrators, but all share the same theme: the ocean! Using the inspiration of these stories, Mrs. Morton (YGS music teacher) and Mrs. McHugh (YGS library media specialist) created an original musical titled '20,000 Leagues Under the YGS Sea.' This is the fourth year they've collaborated to create a themed musical inspired by a variety of children's books.

The idea for the concert stemmed from planning a big literacy night and art show inspired by Katherine Roy. In collaboration with the fabulous YGS staff, the specials team created an evening centered around Katherine Roy's books; a scavenger hunt directed the course of the night as families visited watercolor paintings from various habitats (all created in art class and inspired by Roy's illustrations,) and rooms with activities featuring sharks, elephants, and explorers.

The concert was the month following the family event at YGS, and it was inspired by quotes and artwork from various ocean-themed children's books including; I'm the Biggest Thing in the Ocean! by Kevin Sherry, Misunderstood Shark by Ame Dyckman & Scott Magoon, Nugget & Fang by Tammy Sauer & Michael Slack, Barnacle is Bored and Plankton is Pushy by Jonathan Fenske, The Story of Fish and Snail by Deborah Freedman, Take Your Octopus to School Day by Audrey Vernick & Diana Schoenbrun, Squid and Octopus Friends for Always by Tao Nyeu, A Small Blue Whale by Beth Ferry & Lisa Mundorff, Sea Monkey and Bob by Aaron Reynolds & Debbie Ridpath Ohi, Also an Octopus by Maggie Tokuda-Hall & Benji Davies, Poor Little Guy by Elanna Allen, Dude! By Aaron Reynolds & Dan Santat, I'm a Shark! By Bob Shea, Octopants by Suzy Senior & Claire Powell, and the Narwhal and Jelly series by Ben Clanton. Mrs. Morton and Mrs. McHugh are so grateful that these amazing authors and illustrators were so willing to share their work and help create a meaningful experience for Yorkville's youngest musicians!

The world premiere concert on March 19th featured several songs including "Octopus's Garden" by Ringo Starr and "Portside Pirates" by Oscar Seaworthy.



8th Grade Band Pep Band Night



On Friday, February 15th, the 8th Grade Band students were invited to perform at Yorkville High School with the YHS Pep Band! The students dressed in Yorkville spirit wear and cheered on the basketball team. Many 8th grade students came to perform and have fun with the high school students. The students were able to learn new rock and pop tunes in addition to performing the National Anthem and Yorkville Loyalty.



Alumni Pep Band - Jan. 5, 2019

Third Annual Alumni Pep Band 1/5/19:

(L -R): Eddie Quiroga, Brogan Clements, Brian Sandor, Nick Stillson, Adam Friedman, Ryan Smith, Daniella Tamayo, Hunter Negron, Robin Campos, Eva Lord, Morgan List, Sam Kopka

6th Grade Band and Orchestra Students Participate in Solo Night

On Thursday, February 7th, 2019 the Music Department hosted our annual 6th Grade Solo Night at Yorkville Middle School. Each year, all 6th grade band and orchestra students perform scales and solos for a music teacher serving as a clinician. Then, students received written and verbal feedback from the clinicians that highlight performance aspects they are doing well and techniques that could be improved. This event continues to be special to the 6th grade music program because it is the first time students demonstrate their musicianship individually and have the chance to develop strong independent playing skills. All students received a certificate of accomplishment from the clinician in recognition of their dedication and hard work. Congratulations to all students on a fabulous performance! Your band and orchestra teachers are so proud!

2019 New Music Faculty



Mr. Edward Sailer recently completed his student teaching experience with Yorkville High School. He highly enjoyed his experience in the community and with the Yorkville School District. He feels extremely honored and grateful to have worked with wonderful students and educators.

Mr. Sailer is about to graduate from VanderCook College of Music (summa cum laude) with a Bachelor in Music Education degree. He is currently at Traugber Junior High School finishing up his student teaching requirements. He is actively involved with VanderCook's chapters of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, National Band Association, and the National Association for Music Education where he has held executive board positions.

Mr. Sailer is a West Aurora alumnus where he participated in the music program since 5th grade. He enjoyed playing french horn throughout his time at West. He participated in all of the extracurricular bands that was offered in the school district.

Mr. Sailer would like to say "Thank You!" to the Yorkville community, students, and faculty for impacting his education in such a positive way.

ACDA Women's Choir Festival



On **April 4th**, students in the **YHS Treble Choir** traveled to the College of DuPage to participate in the Illinois ACDA (American Choral Directors Association) Women's Choir Sing and Share Festival. This is the third year that Yorkville Treble Choirs have participated in this festival. At the beginning of the day Treble Choir performed for and then watched 20 high school choirs from across Illinois and had a clinic with Professor Kirsten Hedegaard, Director of Choral and Vocal Activities at Loyola University in Chicago. The students also got the chance to watch the Wheaton Conservatory Women's Chorale perform. The students enjoyed seeing all of the other high school choirs perform and also learned a lot when seeing a college choir perform. Seeing this level of ensemble helps them to understand their possibilities for singing in the future.

After their morning performance and clinic, all of the students at the festival joined together in the afternoon to rehearse and perform a combined piece with the near 500 amassed female singers. Students loved getting a chance to sing with hundreds of other female musicians and came away from the festival with a greater appreciation for women's choir music and the work they do in class every day.



SENIORS 2019



Nicole Acevedo

*is planning on attending Aurora University to major in Nursing.
Wind Ensemble, Marching Band, New Orleans Trip*



Mirage Aguilar

*is taking a gap year to work with plans to eventually attend a trade school.
Philharmonic Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, Fox Valley Music Festival, Solo/
Ensemble Festival, Chamber Strings, Madrigal Strings, Cello Choir, Disney Trip,
Private Lessons*



Zeke Amposta

*is planning on attending Olivet Nazarene University to major in Biology.
Varsity Choir, Madrigals, Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors
Society, Tri-M Music Honors Society Officer, ILMEA All-District Musician, NIB XII
Honors Choir, NIB XII Honors Band, Solo/Ensemble Festival, National Anthem
Soloist, Prism Small Ensemble, Bell Choir, A cappella, In The Heights, Cinderella,
Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons*



Emilia Bellas

*is planning on attending Aurora University to major in Pediatric Nursing with a
minor in Psychology.
Wind Symphony, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching
Band, Clarinet Choir, Yorkville Community Band, Full orchestra*



Layla Bohl

*is planning to enlist in the US Air Force.
Varsity Choir, Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, ILMEA All-District
Musician, NIB XII Honors Choir, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small
Ensemble, Bell Choir, A cappella, Chamber Strings, Marching Band, Jazz Band,
Flute Choir, Footloose, New Orleans Trip, Yorkville Community Band, Private Les-
sons, Madrigal Recorders*

Alex Adams

*is planning on attending either Northern Illinois or Southern Illinois University.
Concert Band, Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, Fox Valley Music Festival,
SuperState, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Jazz Ensemble*



Shelly Alarcon

*is planning on attending G Skin and Beauty Institute in Naperville to get her
license as an Esthetician and Medical Esthetician.
Concert Band, Wind Symphony*



Becca Beckley

*is planning on attending Aurora University to major in Pre Vet/Biology.
Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism
Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Section Leader, Flute Choir,
Musical Pit Orchestra, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip,
Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons*



Claudia Bertucci

*is planning on attending Santa Fe College to major in Cinematography.
Philharmonic Orchestra, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip*



Olivia Borowiak

*is planning on continuing her academic and athletic career at DePaul University
to major in Journalism and to run cross country/track and field.
Wind Symphony, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Flute Choir*



Khenedi Buck

*is planning on attending Waubensee Community College to study Nursing.
Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Pep Band*

**Regan Buck**

is planning on attending Waubensee Community College and then transferring to a 4-yr University and work in the Psychology field.

Freshman Women's Choir, Treble Choir, Varsity Choir, Madrigals, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Bell Choir, A cappella, Section Leader, In The Heights, Cinderella, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, Private Lessons

Jacob Burks

*is planning on attending North Central College to major in Exercise Science.
Concert Band, Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, SuperState, Jazz Band, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Private Lessons*

**Maddie Calder**

*is planning on attending Belmont University for Nursing.
Freshman Women's Choir, Treble Choir, Varsity Choir, Tri-M Music Honors Society*

McKley Cherry

*is planning on attending Northern Illinois University to major in Health Science with a Pre-Physical Therapy emphasis.
Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Yorkville Community Band, Steel Band*

**Madi Childs**

will be studying Clarinet Performance and Music Education at DePaul University or Roosevelt University

Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, ILMEA All-District Musician, ILMEA All-State Musician, Fox Valley Music Festival, NIB XII Honors Band, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Section Leader, Jazz Band, Clarinet Choir, Musical Pit Orchestra, Cinderella, Disney Trip, Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons, Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestra, Chicago Youth Philharmonic Orchestra, CYSO Chamber Ambassadors, Pairquarious Winds Woodwind Quintet, Honor Band of America, Clarinet Quartet, Full Orchestra

**McKenzie Clements**

*will be attending Dixie State University to earn a degree in Secondary Ed.
Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Bass Squad, Marching Band, Section Leader, Musical Pit Orchestra, Cinderella, The Little Mermaid, Private Lessons, Madrigal Brass, Full Orchestra*

**Samuel Clough**

*is planning to attend either The University of Iowa or Coe College to major in Accounting or Economics.
Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony*

Phoebe Craig

*is planning on attending Waubensee Community College to study Music Performance.
Freshman Women's Choir, Concert Choir, Treble Choir, NIB XII Honors Choir, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Disney Trip*



**Victoria Crawford**

is planning on attending The University of the Pacific to major in Political Science.

Freshman Women's Choir, Treble Choir, Madrigals, Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Fox Valley Music Festival, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, Private Lessons

**Luke DeVol**

is planning on attending Michigan Technological University to Major in Computer Engineering.

Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Orchestra Officer, Chamber Strings, Madrigal Strings, Section Leader, Musical Pit Orchestra, Cinderella, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Private Lessons

**Alexis Diaz**

is planning on attending University of Michigan to major in Architecture.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Marching Band, Disney Trip

**Arielle Encabo**

is planning on attending college somewhere.

Concert Orchestra, Philharmonic Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Orchestra Officer, Chamber Strings, Section Leader

**Tess Fogelberg**

will be attending the University of Missouri at Colombia in the upcoming fall to study Communication Science and Disorders.

Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, Super-State, Marching Band, Drum Major, Jazz Ensemble, Clarinet Choir, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Private Lessons

**Ilissa DeLange**

is planning on attending Olivet Nazarene University to major in Nursing.

Concert Orchestra, Philharmonic Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Orchestra Officer, Chamber Strings, Color Guard, Marching Band, Cinderella, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, Yorkville Community Band

**Molly Dexter**

is attending University of Maine to earn a major in Broadcast Journalism and minor in both Professional Writing and Political Theory.

Wind Symphony, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Flute Choir, Musical Pit Orchestra, Disney Trip, Private Lessons

**Molly Ellingson**

is currently undecided on her future plans.
Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society

**Parker Evans**

is attending the University of Louisville to major in Business Economics.

Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Jazz Band

**Kenzie Fox**

is planning on attending Michigan Technological University to major in Biomedical Engineering.

Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Cello Choir, In The Heights, Cinderella, The Little Mermaid, Private Lessons

**Lauren Franklin**

is planning on attending Waubensee Community College to major in English.
Freshman Women's Choir, Concert Choir, A cappella, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip

**Katie Friel**

plans on attending Indiana State University to major in Business.
Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, ILMEA All-District Musician, ILMEA All-State Musician, Fox Valley Music Festival, NIB XII Honors Band, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Jazz Ensemble, Clarinet Choir, Disney Trip, Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons

**Myriah Garcia**

will be attending Evangel University to major in Social Work.
Philharmonic Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Viola Choir

**Eric Givens**

will be attending Northern Illinois University to major in Computer Science.
Philharmonic Orchestra, Chamber Strings, Section Leader, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip

**Jake Green**

is attending Belmont University to major in Music Composition.
Symphony Orchestra, ILMEA All-District Musician, Fox Valley Music Festival, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Orchestra Officer, Chamber Strings, Madrigal Strings, Bass Squad, Marching Band, Section Leader, Jazz Ensemble, Musical Pit Orchestra, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, Private Lessons, MYSO, Rock Band (Subatonic)

**Nick Frieders**

will be attending The University of Missouri for Journalism.
Freshman Men's Choir, Concert Choir, Varsity Choir, Madrigals, A cappella, In The Heights, Cinderella, Footloose, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip

**Annette Fulco**

is planning on attending Olivet Nazarene University to major in Nursing.
Wind Symphony, Marching Band, Disney Trip, Private Lessons

**Jake Gartung**

is planning on either attending Aurora University or Southeast Missouri State.
Freshman Men's Choir, Concert Choir, Varsity Choir, Madrigals, Tri-M Music Honors Society, NIB XII Honors Choir, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Choir Officer, Bell Choir, A cappella, In The Heights, Cinderella, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, Private Lessons

**Lacey Greathouse**

is planning on attending Marymount Manhattan College to major in Dance.
Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Disney Trip

**Courtney Hall**

is planning on attending Olivet Nazarene University to study Music Education.
Concert Choir, Treble Choir, Varsity Choir, Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, NIB XII Honors Choir, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Orchestra Officer, A cappella, Cello Choir, Section Leader, Disney Trip, Private Lessons, Intern for Grande Reserve Elementary School Music, Student of The Term

**John Harker**

will be attending Illinois State University to major in History Education with a minor in Music.

Freshman Men's Choir, Varsity Choir, Madrigals, Tri-M Music Honors Society, NIB XII Honors Choir, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Bell Choir, In The Heights, Cinderella, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip

**Cora Hemby**

will be attending the University of Findlay to double major in Pre-veterinary Animal Science and English Equestrian Studies/Equine Science.

Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, NIB XII Honors Band, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Flute Choir, Musical Pit Orchestra, Cinderella, New Orleans Trip, Private Lessons, Full Orchestra

**Lauren Howard**

will be attending University of South Carolina to major in Biology on a Pre-Med track.

Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Prism Small Ensemble, Orchestra Officer, Section Leader

**Adam Jaber**

is planning on attending Waubensee Community College.
Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Jazz Band

**Nick Kleronomos**

will be attending Butler University and is undecided on a major.

Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Marching Band, Jazz Ensemble, Musical Pit Orchestra, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons

**Ally Harle**

will be attending Waubensee Community College.

Freshman Women's Choir, Concert Choir, Treble Choir, Solo/Ensemble Festival, A cappella, Disney Trip

**Riley Herbst**

will be attending Illinois state university to major in Music Performance.

Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, Fox Valley Music Festival, NIB XII Honors Band, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Musical Pit Orchestra, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip

**Brittany Ingram**

is planning on attending either Aurora University or Northern Illinois University and major in Pre-Law or Pre-Medicine.
Concert Band, Symphonic Band

**Savannah Johnson**

will be attending University of Illinois Chicago to major in English with a concentration in Creative Writing.

Varsity Choir, Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Music Student of the Term, Chamber Strings, Madrigal Strings, Section Leader, Musical Pit Orchestra, Cinderella, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Private Lessons

**Skyler Krantz**

will be attending Northern Michigan University to major in Biology with a concentration in Ecology.

Concert Orchestra, Philharmonic Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Prism Small Ensemble, Chamber Strings, Cello Choir, Section Leader, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip

**Nicholas Krauss**

will be attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute to study Biomedical Engineering.

Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, NIB XII Honors Band, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Marching Band, Jazz Ensemble, Yorkville Brass, Musical Pit Orchestra, Cinderella, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons, Horn Choir, MYSO

**Joshua Larsen**

will be attending Waubensee Community College with an undecided major.

Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Clarinet Choir, Private Lessons

**Corey Mitchell**

will be attending UTI (Universal Technical Institute) in Mechanics certification.

Freshman Men's Choir, Varsity Choir, Madrigals, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Bell Choir, A cappella, In The Heights, Cinderella, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Private Lessons

**Francis Morales**

is planning on attending Eastern Illinois University to major in Music Performance.

Concert Band, Wind Symphony, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Marching Band, Section Leader, Jazz Band, Clarinet Choir, Musical Pit Orchestra, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Private Lessons

**Nathaniel Moulton**

will be attending Purdue University to major in Aerospace Engineering.

Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, NIB XII Honors Band, SuperState, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Section Leader, Musical Pit Orchestra, In The Heights, Cinderella, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Private Lessons

**Ryan Kummer**

will be attending the University of Milwaukee Wisconsin to major in film.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, The Little Mermaid

**Lilly Longino**

will be attending Northern Illinois University to

double major in Music Education and Trumpet Performance.

Concert Choir, Wind Ensemble, Fox Valley Music Festival, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Bell Choir, A cappella, Marching Band, Jazz Ensemble, Yorkville Brass, Cinderella, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Yorkville Community Band

**Daniel Montalvo**

is planning on attending Waubensee Community College.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Clarinet Choir

**Angelica Moreno**

will be attending Dominican University to major in Business and Economics and minor in Spanish.

Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Marching Band

**Catie O'Connor**

will be attending attending Loyola University Chicago to major in Neuroscience and Psychology.

Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Tri-M Music Honors Society Officer, ILMEA All-District Musician, Fox Valley Music Festival, NIB XII Honors Band, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Music Student of the Term, Prism Small Ensemble, Bell Choir, Marching Band, Section Leader, Jazz Band, Yorkville Brass, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons, Soloist of the Day

**MaryGrace O'Connor**

is attending Wartburg College to major in Music Education.

Freshman Women's Choir, Treble Choir, Varsity Choir, NIB XII Honors Choir, Prism Small Ensemble, A cappella, In The Heights, Cinderella, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, Private Lessons

**Cassie Pomierski**

will be attending Ball State University with a major in Interior Design.

Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Flute Choir, Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons

**Michael Ramos**

will be attending Waubonsee Community College.

Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Marching Band, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip

**Haylee Reyes**

is planning on attending the University of Kentucky to major in Biology on a Pre-Med track.

Symphony Orchestra, Prism Small Ensemble, Orchestra Officer

**Billy Riley**

will be attending Waubonsee Community College.

Freshman Men's Choir, Concert Choir, Varsity Choir, Fox Valley Music Festival, Bell Choir, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Private Lessons

**Rachel Robinette**

will be attending Trinity Christian College to Major in Elementary Education.

Philharmonic Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Orchestra Officer, Chamber Strings, Cello Choir, Section Leader, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Music Library Organizer, Performing at the Prism VIP reception

Katie Orisek

will be attending St. Francis of Pennsylvania to major in Pre-Medicine Biology.

Treble Choir, Varsity Choir, NIB XII Honors Choir, The Little Mermaid

**Hannah Price**

will be attending Concordia University Wisconsin to major in Communication Sciences and Disorders.

Freshman Women's Choir, Concert Choir, Treble Choir, Varsity Choir, NIB XII Honors Choir, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Bell Choir, A cappella, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip

**Jacob Rawle**

is planning on attending The University of Missouri to major in Computer Science.

Freshman Men's Choir, Varsity Choir, Madrigals, Bell Choir, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip

**Dayveon Richardson**

will be attending Waubonsee Community College.

Concert Band, Marching Band

**Paris Roake**

will be attending Illinois State University to major in Music Education.

Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Chamber Strings, Madrigal Strings, Cello Choir, Section Leader, Musical Pit Orchestra, Cinderella, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, Private Lessons, Stranger Strings, internship with the FVO



**Cristina Rodriguez**

will be attending Elmhurst College to major in Music Education.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Section Leader, Jazz Band, Flute Choir, Musical Pit Orchestra, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons

**Klara Rosengren Valeur**

will be returning to her home country, Sweden, to complete senior year because her year here doesn't count because she is an exchange student.

Concert Choir

**Elaine Santos**

will be attending Aurora University to major in Health Science and minor in Psychology and then go to Medical school afterwards.

Philharmonic Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Chamber Strings, Viola Choir, Disney Trip

**Josie Schultz**

is planning on attending university of Illinois at Chicago to major in Mathematics.

Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Section Leader, Jazz Band, Jazz Ensemble, Musical Pit Orchestra, Footloose, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Private Lessons

**Logan Sheridan**

plans to work at his parents company then join the Army.

Symphony Orchestra, Fox Valley Music Festival, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Orchestra Officer, Chamber Strings, Bass Squad, Marching Band, Jazz Band, New Orleans Trip

**Quiana Sims**

Concert Choir

Maggie Romano

will be attending Kansas State University to major in Animal Science/Pre-Vet.

Philharmonic Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, Chamber Strings, Viola Choir

**Morgan Rutsay**

will be attending attending Grand Valley State University to major in Visual Arts.

Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Chamber Strings, Marching Band, Section Leader, Musical Pit Orchestra, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip

**Carter Schmidt**

is planning on attending Murray State to major in Music Business.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, Fox Valley Music Festival, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Disney Trip, Private Lessons

**Delaney Seeman**

will be attending Bradley University to major in Engineering.

Freshman Women's Choir, Concert Choir, Treble Choir, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Choir Officer, A cappella, Color Guard, Section Leader, Disney Trip

**Carter Shimp**

plans on pursuing a career in Film Acting.

Freshman Men's Choir, Varsity Choir, Madrigals, Fox Valley Music Festival, Footloose



**Josh Slavin**

will be attending Washington University in Saint Louis to pursue a major in a Business-related field.

Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, NIB XII Honors Band, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Yorkville Brass, New Orleans Trip, Private Lessons, Madrigal Brass

**Lillian Stadler**

will be attending the University of Missouri.

Freshman Women's Choir, Treble Choir, Varsity Choir, Madrigals, Tri-M Music Honors Society, NIB XII Honors Choir, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Bell Choir, A cappella, In The Heights, Cinderella, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Private Lessons

**Siiri Strebel**

will be attending Augustana College to major in Communications, Sciences, and Disorders with a minor in Spanish.

Philharmonic Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Chamber Strings, Cello Choir, Disney Trip, Private Lessons

**Ben Tholen**

is planning on attending the University of Kentucky to Major in Chemical Engineering.

Symphony Orchestra, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Disney Trip, Private Lessons

**Matthew Tschannon**

will continue to attend Yorkville High School until the final year of his program.

Concert Band, Marching Band, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Night of Percussion

Eladia Srivisas

will be attending Waubensee Community College to study Art.

Treble Choir, Concert Orchestra, Philharmonic Orchestra, Orchestra Officer

**Kiersten Stillson**

will be attending Northern Illinois University to major in Art.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Flute Choir, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons, Pep band

**Bryan Tamayo**

is planning on attending Roosevelt University to major in Music Education.

Varsity Choir, Madrigals, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, NIB XII Honors Choir, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Music Student of the Term, Prism Small Ensemble, Bell Choir, A cappella, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Jazz Ensemble, Flute Choir, Clarinet Choir, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons, Music theory, Vocal Independent Study.

**Devon Tomblinson**

will be attending North Central College in Naperville to

dual major in Actuarial Science and Accounting.

Freshman Men's Choir, Concert Choir, Varsity Choir, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Tri-M Music Honors Society Officer, Fox Valley Music Festival, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Choir Officer, A cappella, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip

**Breana Turner**

will be attending the University of Missouri to major in Health Professions.

Freshman Women's Choir, Treble Choir, Varsity Choir, Madrigals, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Tri-M Music Honors Society Officer, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Music Student of the Term, Prism Small Ensemble, Choir Officer, Bell Choir, A cappella, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip



**Destiny Villalpando**

is planning on attending Aurora University to major in Elementary Education and minor in Math.

Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Marching Band

Abby Wahl

is planning on attending Grand Valley State University and majoring in Exercise Science.

Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Jazz Band, Private Lessons

**Haylie White**

is planning on attending Waubensee Community College.

Concert Orchestra, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Viola Choir, Disney Trip, Private Lessons

Joseph White

is attending Alabama A&M University to major in Music Business.
Freshman Men's Choir, Concert Choir, Varsity Choir

**Jason Wilcox**

is planning on attending college to major in Music Performance.

Wind Ensemble, ILMEA All-District Musician, ILMEA All-State Musician, Fox Valley Music Festival, NIB XII Honors Band, SuperState, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Prism Small Ensemble, Marching Band, Jazz Ensemble, Clarinet Choir, Musical Pit Orchestra, Cinderella, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, New Orleans Trip, Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons

Bailey Willis

is planning on attending Augustana College majoring in Biology and Geology.
Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Fox Valley Music Festival, Solo/Ensemble Festival, Marching Band, Musical Pit Orchestra, Cinderella, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, New Orleans Trip, Yorkville Community Band, Private Lessons, Full orchestra

**Austin Zepeda**

is planning on studying Music Education after high school.

Freshman Men's Choir, Varsity Choir, Madrigals, Tri-M Music Honors Society, ILMEA All-District Musician, NIB XII Honors Choir, Solo/Ensemble Festival, National Anthem Soloist, Prism Small Ensemble, Bell Choir, A cappella, Clarinet Choir, In The Heights, Cinderella, Footloose, The Little Mermaid, Disney Trip, Private Lessons



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