MEMO TO: Area News Media

FROM: Mason City High School
Music Faculty

RE: **2015 Iowa All-State Music Audition Results**

DATE: October 26, 2015

19 students from Mason City High School have attained the highest individual honor available to Iowa High School Musicians by being selected to perform at the 2015 All-State Music Festival. The 2015 Festival will celebrate the 69th anniversary of this prestigious event.

District auditions for the 281-piece All-State Band, 201-piece All-State Orchestra, and 601-member All-State Chorus were held on Saturday, October 24, 2015, at Storm Lake, Hampton, Manchester, Atlantic, Indianola and Washington. Approximately 17% of the students who audition are selected for membership in the All-State ensembles.

The MCHS **Chorus** qualified 12 students for participation**:**

Sean Beemer, Bass
Wyatt Cooper, Bass
Danny Daugherty, Tenor
Randy Davenport, Tenor
Noah Hoffman, Tenor
Skyler Lee, Bass
Noah McLaughlin, Bass
Natasha Orton, Alto
Amelia Ouverson, Soprano
Olivia Pederson, Alto
Ben Siglin, Tenor
Blake Weitzel, Tenor

Choir Alternates:
Abby White, Alto

Choir Recalled:
Sophia Ciavarelli, Alto
Elise Obermire, Soprano
Halle Phillips, Soprano
Samantha Simmers, Soprano

The MCHS **Band** qualified 7 students for participation:

Sydney Rottinghaus - Oboe
Savannah Dahlstrom – Clarinet
Ricky Latham – Clarinet

Sarah Betz – Tenor Saxophone
Trevor Trousdale – Trumpet
Derek Tate – Euphonium
Tim Read - Tuba

Band Alternates:
Michelle Hahn – Alto Saxophone
Briar Jensen – French Horn

Band Recalls:
Tryiston TeKippe – Alto Saxophone
Brian VandenBerg - Euphonium

Participants will audition for chair placement in Ames on Thursday evening, November 19, with all three groups rehearsing on Friday and Saturday, November 20 and 21. The Festival Concert will be presented to the public at 7:30 P.M. in Hilton Coliseum, Iowa State University, Ames, on Saturday evening, November 21, 2015. Iowa Public Television will record the concert for re-broadcast. Please check the IPTV website (www.iptv.org) for the exact dates and times. This program is under the auspices of the Iowa High School Music Association and the Iowa Music Educators Association.

Tickets are $20.00 each, plus fees, and all seats are reserved. There are two methods tickets may be obtained for the Iowa All-State Festival Concert:

METHOD 1 – Iowa State Athletics Ticket Office – at window (on sale October 26, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.). The Iowa State Athletics Ticket Office is located on the west side of the Jacobson Athletic Building in Ames. The Ticket Office is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m. There will be a $6.00 per ticket handling fee.

METHOD 2 – Ticketmaster – Orders may be placed by phone, online (www.ticketmaster.com), or at any Iowa Ticketmaster outlet (on sale October 26, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.). Phone: 1-800-745-3000. Ticketmaster will charge a per-ticket convenience fee.