



Kettering Band And Orchestra Students Receive Division I Ratings

February 13, 2003, Waterford, Mich. - Waterford Kettering High School Band and Orchestra students, playing solos and small ensembles at the District IV Solo & Ensemble Festival, received Division I ratings to qualify for the State Solo and Ensemble Festival next month. This year was a record number of students participating, totaling 58 different events.

Each event is a solo or small ensemble played for a teacher that specializes in that particular instrument from another area of the state. The soloist or ensemble is rated on how well they present their music in a total musical performance. The rating system is Division I for excellent performance, Division II for good performance, Division III for an average performance. Many of these students have been practicing and preparing since November.

Twenty-seven (27) of the 58 events earned a Division I rating and qualified for State Solo & Ensemble Festival on March 22, 2003. Twenty-three (23) of the 58 events earned a Division II rating. Merlyn Beard is the Director of Orchestras at Waterford Kettering. Following is a list of Division I events that qualified for State Solo & Ensemble Festival:

Renee Baker, flute solo: 3 Flute Duets
Melissa Lane, flute solo : Flute Trio
Amber McComber, flute solo: Flute Sextet
Kyle Landry, tenor sax solo: Clarinet Trio
Gabe Quiles, trumpet solo: Clarinet Quintet
Melissa Lane, piano solo: Saxophone Trio
Evan Caldron, piano solo: Trumpet Trio With Piano
Kyle Bateman, snare drum solo: Trombone/Euphonium quartet
Chris Eaglen, snare drum solo: Violin Duet
Jonathan Johnson, violin solo: Cello/Bass Duet
Lindsey Powell, violin solo: WK String Quartet

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Karen Sumpster, violin solo: WK Chamber Orchestra

Jim Allcorn, cello solo

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