

Devin Medley Selected as Texas All-State Musician

- WHEN: Saturday, January 7, 2012
- WHERE: Deer Park High School, Baytown, Texas
- WHAT: Area student selected to perform in Texas All-State Music Ensemble
- Over 60,000 students initially entered the All-State competitive process
 - 840 are selected to perform with All-State Concert and Jazz Bands
 - 220 are selected to perform with All-State Orchestras
 - 500 are selected to perform with All-State Choirs
 - All-State performances will be held as part of the annual TMEA Clinic/Convention, Feb. 8–11, 2012. Over 26,000 people from Texas and beyond will attend over 230 workshops, 60 performances and visit over 1,000 exhibit booths at this nation's largest music educators convention.

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Devin Medley, a member of the Monsignor Kelly Catholic High School Varsity Choir will perform with the Texas All-State Choir in San Antonio, Saturday, February 11, 2012 at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center as part of the 2012 Texas Music Educators Association Clinic/Convention. She was chosen for this honor through a competitive process held this year across the state at District, Region and Area levels. Devin is a student of Mrs. Gwen Ramos, and sings at school under the direction of Debbie Prihoda and Darla Lawless who are members of the Texas Music Educators Association, an 11,000+ member organization headquartered in Austin. This is Devin's first time to perform as a member of a TMEA All-State organization, although she has for two years previously been selected to the All Region Choir, and to the All Area Choir, and has been selected as an alternate to the All State Choir twice. Devin is the daughter of Mr and Mrs. Mike Medley of Beaumont.

High school students selected to perform in the All-State concerts have competed through several levels of auditions beginning in the fall of 2011 to arrive at the state level. All-State is the highest honor a Texas music student can receive. Over 1,500 students are selected through a process that began with over 60,000 students from around the state vying for this honor to perform in one of 13 All State ensembles (bands, orchestras and choirs). Texas Music Educators Association sponsors the Texas All-State competition. This competitive process begins throughout the state in auditions hosted by 28 TMEA Regions. Individual musicians perform selected music for a panel of judges who rank each instrument or voice part. From this ranking, selected musicians advances from their Region to compete against musicians from other areas in seven TMEA Area competitions. The highest-ranking musicians judged at the TMEA Area competitions qualify to perform in a TMEA All-State music group.

These All-State students participate in three days of rehearsals directed by nationally-recognized conductors during the TMEA Clinic/Convention. Their performances for thousands of attendees bring this extraordinary event to a close. For the All-State concert schedule and conductor information, go to www.tmea.org/convention.

The Texas Music Educators Association is an association of over 11,000 school music educators dedicated to promoting excellence in music education. Go to www.tmea.org/convention for more information.

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