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Horizon Musicians Selected for 2010 North-Central Regional Honor Band and Orchestra

Horizon High School recently announced that 13 of the 24 student musicians who auditioned were selected for the North-Central Regional Honor Band and Orchestra at auditions held January 30 at Desert Vista High School in Phoenix. "Every year Horizon places a number students into the regional band, choir, and orchestra", said Director Jason Harrison. "While the arts seem to continue to take hits, Horizon always finds ways to excel."

With approximately 400 band and 200 orchestra musicians from 40 schools participating in the auditions, eight Horizon students join the Regional Band and five join the Regional Orchestra. The students are:

Regional Band:

Meredith Jackson – Flute
Ellen Fairfield – Flute
Melissa White – Clarinet
Megan Kennedy – Clarinet
Jack Fairfield – Alto Saxophone
Bobby Shely – Trumpet
Grant Sisserson – Trombone
Andy Pettit – Percussion

Regional Orchestra:

Robby Divine – Violin
Taryn Sisserson – Violin
Sarah Rogerson – Cello
Madison Glasgow – Cello
Christine Paris – Cello

The selected musicians will participate in the Regional Band Festival on Saturday, February 20 at Camelback High School. Those participating in the Regional Festival will be eligible to audition for All-State in March.

In addition to the Regional, State, and other competitions throughout the year, Horizon band students volunteer their time each week with elementary and middle school students through the Music Education Coalition (MEC) also known as the Music Education Advocacy Team (MEAT). By teaching musical instruments to the younger students, Horizon musicians share their passion for music and hope to foster a continued interest in band and music in the younger students.

To learn more about Horizon's Band and Orchestra, visit us on the web at <http://hpraz.org/index.html>.

For more information on Horizon High School, visit the School website at <http://cmweb.pvschools.net/hhsweb/>.

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