

GCHS Band Students Receive Recognition for Musical Talent - Illinois All-State Honors 2018 -



Members of the **Granite City High School Band** made their mark at the **Illinois Music Education Association All State Band Competition** this year by having the most students selected in Granite City High School history.

The Illinois Music Education Association (ILMEA) is an organization established to provide professional growth opportunities for Illinois music teachers and to provide music making opportunities for the most talented music students in the state. Outstanding students undergo a rigorous audition procedure based on musical etudes, scales, and sight-reading in order to be selected to participate in the District Festival in November. Students receiving high scores at the ILMEA District Festival advanced to perform at the ILMEA All-State Festival on January 27, 2018.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students on being selected to the ILMEA **ALL-STATE** Festival.

Alexis Broyles: Clarinet – All-State Band

Dustin Choat: Vibes – All-State Jazz Band

Scott DeLozier: Trumpet – Honors All-State Band

Anthony Guzman: Bari Sax – Honors All-State Band

Nick Haddock: Alto Sax – Honors All-State Band

Stephanie Mullen: Flute – All-State Band

Sam Roberds: Percussion – Honors All-State Band

Cassie Zarate: Bass Clarinet – Honors All-State Band

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The students performed before a packed house in the Peoria Civic Center on January 27, 2018. Wyatt Roberds, Director of Bands at Granite City High School, said, "One of the real joys of being a music teacher is having the opportunity to work with such talented students. This is the highest honor high school musicians can receive, and we are extremely proud of them!"



We would also like to congratulate the **Granite City High School Wind Ensemble** on their selection to perform at the **ILMEA All-State Conference**. Bands are selected to perform at the conference through a stringent audition process. The ILMEA Board of Directors endeavor to create a conference program that features musical performances of the highest caliber. The GCHS Wind Ensemble performed an amazing concert in the Peoria Civic Center Theater on Saturday, January 27, 2018. This is a tremendous honor, and we are extremely proud to have the band represent Granite City High School!