

Amarillo ISD 2011 All-State Music Students

Each year thousands of music students from across Texas compete for the honor of performing in the Texas Music Education Association All-State Band, Choir, and Orchestra. To achieve All-State status, students must audition and advance at All-Region, All-Area, and All-State competitions. The proclaimed TMEA All-State musicians are the 'cream of the crop' representing less than 1% of students entering the audition process. This year, ten students from Amarillo ISD were selected for this illustrious award, the highest accomplishment a Texas music student may achieve.

Tascosa Choir takes top honors with five All-State Choir members, **Kendra Berry, Tyler Young, Emma Elkins, Tyler Long** and second year All-State vocalist, **Lucas Alvarado**. Two Tascosa High School seniors were also chosen as repeat All-State Orchestra students, **Isaiah Chapman** is a third year All-State member and **Kimberly Huber** was chosen for her second consecutive year. Two freshman students from Amarillo High were also selected to the All-State Orchestra, **Shan Su** and **Hunter Morris**. One Amarillo High School senior, **Kaitlin Rutherford**, was chosen as a member in the All-State Band.

The Texas Music Educators Clinic and Convention will conclude with performances from these All-State groups. While at the convention, All-State students have the opportunity and distinct honor to rehearse and perform with world renowned conductors. The 2011 All-State concerts will be held on February 12th at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center in San Antonio. Texas Music Educators Association (TMEA) hosts the nation's largest music educator convention with over 12,000 members in attendance.

Congratulations to these outstanding music students!

All-State Student and Director Photograph

Front Row (left to right):

Judy Harvel (Tascosa Associate Choir Director), Kendra Berry, Emma Elkins, Tyler Young, Kimberly Huber, Shan Su

Back Row (left to right):

Billy Talley (Tascosa Choir Director), Tyler Long, Isaiah Chapman, Lucas Alvarado, Hunter Morris, Nick Lopez (Amarillo High Orchestra Director), Kathy Fishburn (Tascosa Orchestra Director)

Not Present: Kaitlin Rutherford and Justin Nuckols (sponsor)

