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District Students Bring Home Eight “I Ratings” from Missouri State Music Festival Mar. 31-Apr. 1

KANSAS CITY—NORTH ... High School students from North Kansas City Schools competed this past week in the 2005 Missouri State Music Festival for large group ensembles, bringing home eight I-Ratings – the highest rating possible. Two large ensembles received a II Rating.

“Final ratings for large ensembles,” said Bob Drummond, director of bands for North Kansas City High School, “are determined by the evaluation of each of three performance judges and the evaluation of a sight-reading judge. Each judge’s evaluation counts one-fourth toward the group’s final rating.”

District large group ensembles were rated as follows:

North Kansas City High School – Freshman Orchestra: I Rating

North Kansas City High School – Concert Band: I Rating

North Kansas City High School – Symphonic Band: I Rating

North Kansas City High School – Symphonic Orchestra: II Rating

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Oak Park High School – Freshman Orchestra: I Rating

Oak Park High School -- Symphonic Orchestra: I Rating

Oak Park High School -- Symphonic Band: I Rating

Oak Park High School -- Concert Band: II Rating

Winnetonka High School – Symphonic Orchestra: I Rating

Winnetonka High School – Symphonic Band: I Rating

Instrumental music teachers from the three high schools include **Bob Drummond, Barbara Miller** and **Rebecca Dixon** at North Kansas City High School; **Robbie Hale** and **Danny Watring** at Oak Park High School; and **Henry Bullock, Ron Fortune** and **Pat Setser** at Winnetonka High School.

Fore more information about the Missouri State Music Festival, contact **Mrs. Pat Setser**, district instrumental music coordinator, at **(816) 413-5088**.

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