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FIVE JPPII STUDENTS SELECTED TO MTSBOA MID-STATE ORCHESTRAS

HENDERSONVILLE, Tenn.---Five Pope John Paul II High School students have been named to the Middle Tennessee School Band and Orchestra Association's (MTSBOA) Mid-State Orchestras, the most of any Catholic high school in the state, according to Jordan Tupper, Director of Bands at JPPII.

Senior John Paul (JP) Quiampang and junior English Chesser were both named to the 11th/12th grade orchestras, and sophomore Jadyn Tarver and freshmen Camille Quiampang and Simon Whiteley were named to the 9th/10th grade orchestras.

Tupper was very congratulatory of these students for their accomplishments. "I am elated and excited for them," Tupper said. "This is a very competitive event, with over 4,000 students auditioning from the mid-state region. These students earned it. They all work really hard and are very deserving of this recognition."

A Holy Rosary alumnus and St. Stephen parishioner, JP Quiampang will be performing in his third straight Mid-State concert, this year reaching sixth chair as a viola player. Outside of the band room, he is a member of Voices uKnighited, the a cappella choir at JPPII, and was selected to the Middle Tennessee Vocal Association's All-State Choir as a second tenor. JP also performs in the Curb Youth Symphony through the Blair School of Music at Vanderbilt and attended the Governor's School for the Arts at Middle Tennessee State University.

English Chesser will play violin in her first ever Mid-State concert. In fact, this will be one of her first concerts outside of JPPII in her short-lived career, as she just picked up the violin as a freshman. When she isn't practicing violin, English is an Irish step dancer, performing in competitions around the region. She is also on House Council for the House of John at JPPII.

Jadyn Tarver will be playing violin in her second Mid-State concert. Jadyn is a member of the JPPII Model United Nations team and the Math team and participates in Youth In Government.

Camille Quiampang, a Holy Rosary alumnus and St. Stephen parishioner, will be joining her older brother at the Mid-State concert, playing violin in the 9th/10th Grade Orchestra. She also performs in the Curb Youth Symphony. Outside of the band program, Camille is interested in playing lacrosse for the Knights.

Simon Whiteley will be performing in his first Mid-State concert, reaching the eighth chair of the cello section as a freshman. Simon is a member of the National Honor Society and the Men's Lacrosse team.

Both the 9th/10th Grade Orchestra and the 11th/12th Grade Orchestra will be performing at Blackman High School on Saturday, January 13, 2018.

Founded in 2002, Pope John Paul II High School is a college preparatory Catholic high school in Hendersonville, Tennessee. The school serves over 560 students across the Middle Tennessee area. For more information, visit www.jp2hs.org.

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