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Orchestras from two CCSD schools to perform for global audience *Green Valley HS and Hyde Park MS selected for Chicago event*

Las Vegas, Nev. – For the first time, two schools from the Clark County School District have simultaneously been selected to perform at the annual Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic.

“Only four middle schools and four high schools from the entire planet are selected through competitive audition to perform at this event. Being selected is the equivalent of winning an Oscar for K-12 band and orchestra directors,” said an ecstatic Rick McEnaney, Secondary Fine Arts Coordinator for CCSD.

The week-long clinic is held every December in Chicago and draws more than 8,000 band and orchestra directors from all over the world.

“It is very unusual for two ensembles from the same state to be invited, much less the same school district,” said McEnaney.

The two CCSD Orchestras selected are Green Valley High School under the director of Geoff Neuman and Hyde Park Middle School under the direction of Jeremy Woolstenhulme.

McEnaney said hundreds of orchestras apply for the chance to perform at the annual event. “This is remarkable beyond words and a testament to the CCSD community.”

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