



On Saturday, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> Urbandale High School had 14 students audition for the Iowa Instrumental All-State Festival. Statewide over 1000 instrumental student-musicians audition and approximately 17% of the candidates are selected to participate in the All-State Music Festival in Ames, Iowa on Nov. 16-18, 2023. It is the highest individual honor a student can receive from the Iowa High School Music Association.

Urbandale students who audition for the Iowa Instrumental All-State undertake a rigorous process of weekly mock auditions, they study with teachers both in and out of school, and they devote many hours to individual practice time. The following 14 Urbandale students are to be commended for their dedicated efforts and outstanding contributions to the Instrumental Music Department.

The performance will be broadcast on Iowa Public Television Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 24, 2022) evening and Sunday afternoon, November 27, 2022.

**Student Auditionees:**

Regan Anderson, Henry Dix, Oscar Dix, Evie Ellison, Ian Gage, Nik Hudak, Aiden Leiran, Parker Leiran, Caleb Little, Rhys Little, Asa Leonard-Newton, Tamsin Saylor, Anna Thompson, and Keira VanderLeest

**Orchestra Accepted:**

Henry Dix, 11<sup>th</sup> grade, french horn, 2<sup>nd</sup> year  
Oscar Dix, 10<sup>th</sup> grade, bassoon, 2<sup>nd</sup> year

**Band Accepted:**

Ian Gage, 11<sup>th</sup> grade, euphonium, 1<sup>st</sup> year  
Aiden Leiran, 10<sup>th</sup> grade, french horn, 2<sup>nd</sup> year

**Alternates:**

Parker Leiran, 9<sup>th</sup> grade, euphonium, 1<sup>st</sup> year

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