

## Westwood Symphony Orchestra to Perform at the Midwest Clinic



*The Westwood High School Symphony Orchestra*

The Westwood High School Symphony Orchestra has been selected to perform at The Midwest Clinic- an international band and orchestra conference. This honor is reserved for only three such full orchestras chosen from high schools worldwide. The Midwest Clinic is held in Chicago and is the largest, oldest, and most prestigious conference of its kind. It showcases only the finest ensembles from around the globe. Parents, students, and proud supporters are busy fundraising so that every student can go and perform for what is likely the biggest performance many will ever have.

Leading these talented students is Joshua Thompson, the orchestra director. "We are very excited for this tremendous opportunity to perform in Chicago at The Midwest Clinic in front of an international audience of musicians, music educators and members of the music industry. It is a great opportunity for musicians all over the world to witness the pride and exceptional talent of the students in the Westwood Symphony Orchestra."

Each student pays to attend so funds are being raised to ensure no student is left out due to inability to pay.

In addition to fundraising efforts, students are already hard at work on the music. Violinist Joyce Zhuang, a Symphony Orchestra Officer, shared the group's excitement, "I'm so honored to be a part of such a talented group of students that has been given an opportunity to perform at the largest music conference in the world. Preparations are already underway for our Midwest preview concert in December, and we are so excited to share our music with music educators and enthusiasts in Chicago!"

The Westwood Symphony Orchestra is ranked among the best in the nation and in 2018 was named National Winner in the Mark of Excellence competition hosted by the Foundation for Music Education. To donate to their efforts or see them perform visit

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