

Texas All-State Choir Members



"At All-State it was so cool how everyone did everything the conductor wanted on the first try."

sloan bengtson, 12



"All-State was pretty amazing because we got to sing with so many talented people."

livy bennett, 12



"All-State was an incredible experience singing with people who love music just as much as I do."

mackenzie carlson, 11



"Making All-State Choir was a lot of work and very stressful, but it really paid off in the end."

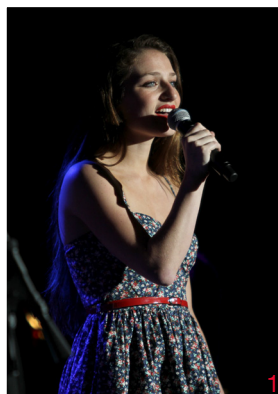
john kronenberger, 11



"All-State requires hard work and dedication, as well as a passion for the art, too."

vishakha mallya, 10

belt it out
1 Part of a duet, senior Lauren Lardner sings during Spring Revue on May 10, 2012. "It's fun to interact with other people while performing," Lardner said, "especially if they are your best friends." 2 Juniors Zoe Littleton and Amy Hilton and senior Gillian Wright sing with the Chamber Women at the Winter Concert. 3 During the Fall Concert, sophomore Joseph Richard and the Men's Ensemble entertain the crowd.



1. david oliver 2. david oliver 3. casey simmons



david oliver

dynamic duo
Hand-in-hand, seniors Livy Bennett and Dylan Hill perform with the Madrigals during the Winter Concert. "Madrigals has been great, and I couldn't have asked to be part of a better organization," Hill said. "The only downside is we had to dance. I swear they put the two least coordinated people together on purpose."

carrying on the family tradition

Choir unites brothers through their love of singing and commitment to the program

For the past nine years, every time director Ed Snouffer faced his choir in classes or concerts, he would see a Timmins — graduates Parker and James or Andrew, a senior. For the Timmins, choir became a second family.

"Choir has been a big part of my life," senior bass Andrew Timmins said. "I know that my brothers and I have grown closer together because of our love of singing."

Their commitment to the program contributed to their high school experiences.

"Choir has meant community," Andrew said. "I have done a lot of activities, but choir has always been a constant."

When his oldest brother, Parker, joined choir, Andrew knew it was a group he wanted to be a part of.

"I never felt pressure to join," Andrew said. "I wanted to ever since I saw what a blessing it was to my brothers."

Not only did he look forward to joining the choir community, Andrew also anticipated working with the directors his brothers had grown to love.

"Mr. Snouffer and Mrs. Goodner act like parents to a lot of students," Andrew said. "They are a big part of the choir family."

The many traditions that the choir program held allowed the brothers to share similar experiences.

"We end each concert with *The Lord Bless*," Andrew said. "It's nice knowing that nine years ago, when my oldest brother was a freshman, he was singing the exact same song as me."

Sharing these memories brought the brothers closer together.

"I've loved knowing that I'm part of a bigger tradition beyond my family," Andrew said, "but that I've also been able to walk in similar footsteps to my brothers."



the high notes

1 At Mo Ranch, the retreat for all students in the choir program, senior Spencer Flynn belts out a solo onstage during the Mo Talent Show. 2 With the Men's Ensemble, freshmen Hunter Biechlin, Hunter Spencer and Jack Shepherd sing in the Winter Concert. 3 Racing to the finish, sophomores Elizabeth Padon and Sabrina Knap, senior Andrew Timmins, junior Carter Smith, freshman Erin Beadle and senior Luke Russell canoe at Mo Ranch. "It was fun getting to know the upperclassmen instead of just hanging out with people in my grade," Beadle said.

1. sarah guthrie 2. casey simmons 3. anna-christine parrish

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choir members



tamara brown, 10

MUSICAL MAYHEM

"My favorite memory from choir is definitely making new friends while working on *The Music Man*. When we were all backstage in hair and makeup, everyone was laughing and just having a good time."



carter smith, 11

WARM WELCOME

"I joined choir this year, and I was welcomed with open arms. The people are so awesome, and they are so excited about what they do. I feel like I am a long-lost son of Mr. Snouffer and Mrs. Goodner."



nikki lyssy, 10

SECOND HOME

"My favorite thing about choir is knowing that for an hour every day, I get to sing with people I truly love and care about and I don't have to think about anything else. More than anything, I love choir because of the family we all are."



kendal lyssy, 10

ONE BIG FAMILY

"Joining choir was the best thing I did because we are a family. We all have respect for each other and are passionate about singing. Choir is where I made some of my best friends, and without it, my high school experience wouldn't be the same."



andy germann, 12

MAKING MEMORIES

"Choir has been something I have enjoyed immensely these last four years. My favorite memory has got to be the senior mud fight at Mo Ranch."