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8 PORT CHESTER HIGH SCHOOL MUSICIANS CHOSEN TO PARTICIPATE IN AREA ALL-STATE MUSIC FESTIVAL



Eight students from Port Chester High School were chosen to participate in the annual New York State School Music Association's (NYSSMA) Area All-State Music Festival, held at the Performing Arts Center at Purchase College, Thursday, November 10, 2016.

High school musicians from Westchester County were selected for the Area All-State Festival based on their audition at last spring's NYSSMA Solo Evaluation Festival. Students attended three rehearsals in the weeks prior to their performance.

Gisella McCallion, soprano; **Taylor Masi**, alto; and **Robert Perrone**, tenor; were selected to sing with the Area All-State Mixed Choir. **Elizabeth Montemurro**, soprano; and **Isabella Rios**, alto; were chosen to sing with the Area All-State Women's Choir. Linda Ventura is their school vocal music teacher.

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William Brakewood, trumpet; **Derrick Torres**, tuba; and **Cameron Gutierrez**, snare drum; were chosen to perform with the Area All-State Band. Their school band director is Robert Vitti.