

# Dream Grand: The Piano Project



## MODEL D

### *concert grand*

At 8' 11<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" (274 cm) in length, this majestic musical instrument — the *pinnacle* of concert grands — is the overwhelming choice of the world's greatest pianists and for anyone who demands the *highest level of musical expression*.



STEINWAY & SONS

## York Auditorium Piano FAQ

### ***Why now?***

The York High School Auditorium is the flagship Performing Arts venue in District 205. It is utilized heavily throughout the year by District 205 and the broader performing arts community. The current STEINWAY on stage is well over 100 years old, has already been rebuilt, and is well past its best days - it is due to be replaced. Because the Auditorium is about to undergo a significant renovation and because a new, hand-crafted STEINWAY will take time to build and deliver, now is the perfect time to begin planning so that a new instrument can be in place when the Auditorium is reopened post-renovation in the Fall of 2024.

### ***Why a Steinway?***

Simply put, because Steinway pianos are the best and our students deserve the best! The STEINWAY Model D Concert Grand is the industry standard piano for professional musicians and performance venues, colleges and universities, and K-12 schools. York High School and District 205 has been recognized for excellence in music education by the Elmhurst community and by industry professionals, most recently being designated as a Best Community for Music Education by the NAMM Foundation in 2021. In STEINWAY's own words:

*"Schools demonstrate a commitment to excellence and an unparalleled educational experience by providing their students with the rich, unrivaled sound, incomparable tone, and pristine touch of STEINWAY pianos for education. These pianos inspire students to realize their artistic talents, and best prepare them to compete at the highest level in the professional world."*

### ***What else is important to know?***

- D205 plans to purchase a new instrument to maximize the life of the instrument for future generations of students.
- The new piano will be stored in a dedicated, secured, climate-controlled location, just like the current piano.
- Due to the size of the Auditorium, a smaller piano is not being considered at this time.

### ***How can you help?***

- Support - Consider supporting this project by donating to our D205 Music Parents groups - EMB and YMB.
- Advocate - Encourage your network of performing arts allies to support this fundraising project.
- Educate - Learn more about STEINWAY pianos and the Model D grand piano at

<https://www.steinway.com/pianos/steinway/grand/model-d>

