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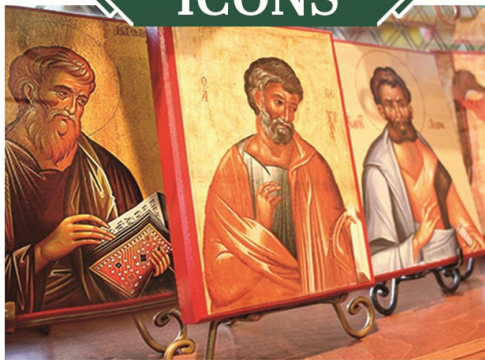
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It is a great pleasure to welcome you to our Thirteenth Annual DeMatha Instrumental Music Program Kaleidoscope Concert.

We appreciate the efforts of our Concert Committee for making this evening possible. I also want to thank the many individuals, families, friends and businesses who have generously sponsored the event, made donations, and contributed to its success.

Relax and enjoy this evening with us, and thank you for your continued outstanding support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew L. Bickel".

Matthew L. Bickel
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Director of Orchestras
Associate Director of Bands
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THE HISTORY OF THE DeMATHA MUSIC PROGRAM

DeMatha's Music Program began in 1970 with 19 students. The Music Program now enrolls approximately 30% of the student body.

The music curriculum includes four concert bands, three percussion ensembles, three string orchestras, three choruses, and six levels of music theory. The program includes the following extra-curricular groups: Philharmonic, jazz ensemble, a pep band for basketball games, and numerous small ensembles.

The Music Program has received national and international acclaim. The National Catholic Bandmaster's Association named DeMatha's Wind Ensemble the top Catholic High School Band in the United States for 19 out of 22 years—including most recently in 2025! Each year the Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Concert Band, Concert Band II, the Advanced Percussion Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble II, DeMatha Sinfonia, Voices of DeMatha, and DeMatha Harmonics perform at local, national and international music festivals. DeMatha performing groups consistently receive Superior ratings at these festivals and have received over 50 Gold Medals at music festivals held in Chicago, Toronto, Orlando, Atlanta, Gatlinburg, Nashville, Myrtle Beach, Virginia Beach, and Daytona Beach.

Since 1970, several hundred student-musicians have been chosen to perform with the Maryland All-State Bands, Orchestras, and Choruses. Over a thousand have performed with the Washington Archdiocesan Music Teacher Council Honor Bands and orchestras throughout the years.

Mr. James Turk, Dr. Michael Gatti, Mr. Matthew Bickel '95, and Mr. Carlos Castrillon '95, have a collective 107 years of teaching experience, including 89 years teaching at DeMatha.



Mr. James Roper, DeMatha's band director from 1981-2021, teaching in the Music Building in 2021.



Mr. John H. Mitchell, the first DeMatha band director, conducting in the original gymnasium circa 1970s.

THE DEMATHA MUSIC DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS

Mr. Matthew Bickel

Mr. Matthew Bickel, Director of Instrumental Music, Director of Orchestras and Associate Director of Bands, is a 1995 graduate of DeMatha Catholic High School. He received his Bachelor's Degree in Music Education and Music Performance from the Eastman School of Music. He received his Master's Degree in Trumpet Performance at the University of Maryland, College Park. As a trumpeter in the Prism Brass Quintet, Mr. Bickel has performed concerts all over the nation and has held residencies at the Boston University Tanglewood Institute, Chamber Music America's Rural Residency Program and the University of Maryland, College Park. Mr. Bickel won a position with the U.S. Air Force Ceremonial Brass in Washington, D.C., but continued on his path as a music educator. In addition to his work at DeMatha as an educator, Mr. Bickel has conducted the WAMTC Elementary Honors Band and the Prince George's County High School Honors Orchestra and Charles County High School Honors Orchestras. He is also an adjudicator at various large ensemble assessments. Prior to teaching at DeMatha, Mr. Bickel taught both orchestra and band in the Prince George's County School System.



Mr. Carlos Castrillon

Mr. Carlos Castrillon, Director of Bands and Associate Director of Orchestras, is a 1995 graduate of DeMatha Catholic High School. Mr. Castrillon received a Bachelor's of Music Degree in French Horn Performance from the University of Maryland in 1999. Upon graduation, Mr. Castrillon moved to Cincinnati to pursue a graduate degree at the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. During his time there, he was a musician with the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra and an extra musician with the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra. After moving back to Maryland, Mr. Castrillon became a band director in the Prince George's County Public School System and also served as a Co-Director for the Prince George's County Youth Orchestra. Mr. Castrillon has been a guest conductor for numerous honors ensembles in the state of Maryland. He is in his third season as Concert Orchestra Director for the Chesapeake Youth Symphony Orchestra.



Dr. Michael Gatti

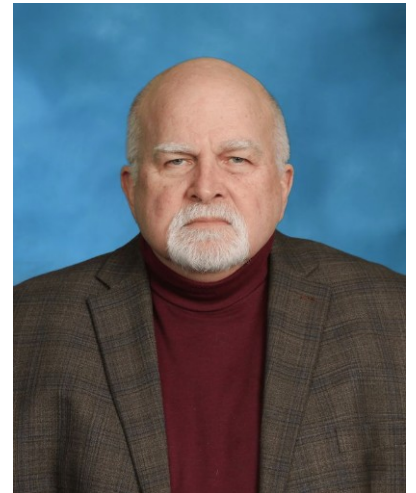
Dr. Michael Gatti, Music Department Chairman and Percussion Instructor, holds the degree Doctor of Musical Arts in Percussion Performance from the University of Maryland, College Park. Dr. Gatti directs three percussion ensembles, teaches private lessons, and coaches the wind band percussion sections. He is the former adjunct professor of percussion at The Catholic University of America and currently serves as the percussion ensemble coordinator of the DMV Percussion Academy. Dr. Gatti is the Assistant Principal Percussionist of the Fairfax Symphony Orchestra. Additionally, he is employed as an extra musician in many of the Washington area's professional ensembles, including the National Gallery Orchestra, the Baltimore Chamber Orchestra, the Annapolis Symphony and the Washington Winds, the professional wind ensemble of Omega Studios, in Rockville, Maryland, dedicated to the recording of contemporary concert band literature.



THE DeMATHA MUSIC DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS

Mr. Jim Turk

Director of Vocal Music “Coach” Jim Turk holds three degrees from The Ohio State University: Bachelor of Music (Composition), Bachelor of Music Education (Instrumental and Vocal Music), and Master of Music (Choral Conducting). Additionally, he has earned A.B.D. status in the Doctor of Music Arts (Choral Conducting) program at the University of Maryland. Mr. Turk served for six years (active duty) in the United States Navy Band in Washington, D.C., where he directed the U.S. Navy Sea Chanters, the Navy’s professional chorus. After leaving active duty, he served on the music faculty at the United States Naval Academy, directing the Women’s Glee Club for 12 years. Now in his 29th year at DeMatha, Coach directs the Voices of DeMatha, the DeMatha Harmonics, and the (freshmen-only) DeMatha Singers 9; in addition to teaching Music Theory and Ear-Training. He is a recent recipient of DeMatha’s Collins-Wootten Chair for Teaching Excellence. On three occasions he has directed the state-wide Maryland Music Educators Association Tenor/Bass Demonstration Chorus. He also performs as Accompanist for the Youth Chorus of Annapolis. Coach is the proud father of Joshua (DeMatha ’06) and Rachel (Seton ’09), and has two grandchildren. He lives in Edgewater with his wife Susan and their two dogs, Josie and Archie.



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EVENING PROGRAM

Opening Remarks

Symphonic Band

Skyfall..... Adele, Epworth
arr. Bocook

Percussion Ensemble II

Strateejurie Chris Brooks

Sinfonia and Concert Strings

Espresso Allen, Carpenter, Bunetta & Jones
arr. Bernotas

Advanced Percussion Ensemble

Taiko Scott Harding

Wind Ensemble

Savannah River Rhapsody Robert Sheldon

Combined Percussion Ensemble II and Advanced Percussion Ensemble

Guiro Hero John R. Hearnese

Philharmonic

Romeo and Juliet Overture P.I. Tchaikovsky
arr. Richard Meyer

Voices of DeMatha

Down to the River to Pray *arr. Mary McDonald*

Voices of DeMatha

Ain't Got Time to Die Hall Johnson
Soloist: Fr. Albert Anuszewski, O.S.S.T. President, DeMatha Catholic High School

Combined Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble

Pop and Rock Legends: Chicago Chicago
arr. John Wasson

DeMATHA INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC ENSEMBLES

SYMPHONIC BAND

FLUTE

Alvis Adair
Jadon Lane*
Jacob Marana
Michael Greenleaf

OBOE

Zion Alexander
Jeffrey Prather

BASSOON

Conall Devilbiss

CLARINET

Theo TerHaar
Adam Taylor
Evan TerHaar
Doug Jackson
Kaleb Mesafint

BASS CLARINET

Blake Bascus
Kelvin Stewart

ALTO SAXOPHONE

Eleazar Acosta
Coy Gray

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Xander Liacouras

BARITONE SAXOPHONE

Langston Price

TRUMPET

Justin Creppy*
Thomas Berry*
Diego Pantoja
Ryan Hickey
Karl Napper-Rodriguez
Caleb Cooper
Liam Radosevic*

FRENCH HORN

Zack McBroom*

TROMBONE

Dino Scaletti*
Andrew Stinson
Jake Schneider

EUPHONIUM

Arinze Ogbolu*

TUBA

Jesse Holland*

PERCUSSION

Diego Aguilera Kelley
Mufaro Marandure
Andrew Keplinger
Gianni Graves*
Jules Gwanfogbe*

ADVANCED PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE

Alexander Gatti*
Robyn Jude-McKinney
Jacob Arthur*
Michael Lebbie*
Ayden Williams
Nicholas Roberts*
Nolan Wills

PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE II

Lucas Cardillo
William Geohagan
Hugh Watts*
Alex Soto
Cale Fuller
Jaden Butler-Myers
Anthony Hollis

* denotes seniors

▪ denotes Philharmonic

DeMATHA INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC ENSEMBLES, CONTINUED

SINFONIA

VIOLIN 1

Simon Wedge*▪
Matthew Engel▪
Arvin Mirchandani▪
Abraham Watts*▪

VIOLA

Temi Dehinbo*▪
Ben Rupar▪
Josue Cortes▪
Christopher Sekyere*▪

VIOLIN 2

Jackson Hardnock▪
Stavros Rodousakis▪
Robert Dayse▪
Jaden Shockley▪

CELLO

Brayden Offutt*▪
Jesse Kliman*▪
Chase Snyder▪
Theodore Nkuo▪
Alasdair Brown*▪

DOUBLE BASS

Liam Coll▪
Josiah Henson▪
Jaime Marquez▪

CONCERT STRINGS

VIOLIN

Christian Austin
Emmanuel Martin
Adam Kubit-Shappirio
Max Watts

CELLO

Avery Bonney
Jerome DeBrew
Thomas Metz
Terence Rascher

BASS

JoJo Pereira
Leo Aragona

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DEMATHA INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC ENSEMBLES, CONTINUED

WIND ENSEMBLE

FLUTE / PICCOLO

Julian Righi▪
Randy Randolph*▪
Connor Littlejohn*

OBOE

Brendan Ford*▪

BASSOON

Will Keating*▪
Ben Stockton▪

CLARINET

Jaylen Goode*▪
Jet Watling▪
Julian Maring
Jibreel Reynolds*
Sebastian Righi

ALTO SAXOPHONE

Riley Massey▪
Aaron Jackson

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Jonathan Farley

TRUMPET

Lazarus McCarthy*▪
Daniel Hollar
Robert Reeser*▪
Anthony Tong
Brad Jackson
Will Herman*

FRENCH HORN

Alex Davis*▪
Jason Ayers
Vedant Bhalla▪
Ben Flick

TROMBONE

Landon Pearson▪
Wyatt Bohn▪
Andrew Cibor*
Cayleb Baptiste▪
Xavier Raymond*

EUPHONIUM

Dylan Ellis

TUBA

Ben Bayes▪

PERCUSSION

Jayson Williams▪
Matthew Holm▪
Jeremiah West*▪
Ayo Eremah
Kaden Henderson▪
Chris Akeveeboonne

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DeMATHA INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC ENSEMBLES, CONTINUED

Nonperforming Groups for the Kaleidoscope Concert

CONCERT BAND II

FLUTE

Ryan Davies
Joaquin Rice
Antonio Sanchez
Natnael Goitom

OBOE

Eli Magrogan

CLARINET

Myles Johnson
AJ Brown
Christopher DuVinage
Thorne Small*
Devan Shenoy
Amare Okoroma
Matthew Beckles
Kenyatta Kerr

ALTO SAXOPHONE

Richard Dutchman
Jonathan Balgobin
Andrew Dominguez
Dagmawi Girma

BARITONE SAX

Samuel Parker

TRUMPET

Sebastian Costello
Robert Wallace
Jahn Mensah
Mason Monger
Keitah Nderitu
Liam Johnson
Xavier Simpson
Tyler Tallack
Morgan Foxworth
Justin Prioleau
Claude Nicolas

FRENCH HORN

Nick Long

TROMBONE

Adenola Adenaiya
Fareed Rahi
Jayden Nash

EUPHONIUM

Malcolm Freeman
Joseph Urbina

TUBA

Lawrence Lord
Xander Orsin
Bruk Nile Thompson Asmellash

PERCUSSION

Dominic Hilton
Michael Feltenberger
Xavier Johnson
Grant Wills
Troy Neel
Gus Haller
AJ Chisam

** denotes seniors*

DeMATHA INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC ENSEMBLES, CONTINUED

Nonperforming Groups for the Kaleidoscope Concert

PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE I

Finn Rupert	Christian Assafa
Naim Brewster	Samuel dos Santos
Simon Mensah	Clayton Ellis
Chace Robinson	Christian Jackson
Stephen Wyman	Ryan Tucker

CONCERT BAND I

FLUTE	ALTO SAXOPHONE	TROMBONE
Rohan Sapkota	Omar Myers	Austin Licorish
David Jacobs		
CLARINET	TRUMPET	EUPHONIUM
Evan Grero	Stephen Lawrence	Grayson Stein
Michael Bridges	Dean McClelland	
Milan Ertogan	Emmanuel Parra	TUBA
Grant Baker	Tyler Ptomey	Valentino Hernandez
	Joseph Culmer	
BASS CLARINET	FRENCH HORN	
Bryan Pulliam	Gabe Miller	

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DeMATHA INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC ENSEMBLES, CONTINUED

Nonperforming Groups for the Kaleidoscope Concert

CONCERT STRINGS I

VIOLIN

Anson Bernard
Eli London
Akin Alade
Justin Centeno

CELLO

Zahir Accilien
Brandon Bobbitt
Miles Muhammed

DOUBLE BASS

Stephen Hayes
Jeremiah LeCompte
Ian Andrews

DeMATHA CHORAL MUSIC ENSEMBLES

VOICES OF DeMATHA

TENOR 1

Chase Brown
Ari Jenkins*
Jesse Kliman*
David Lopez Maldonado
David Paz
Michael Tran*

TENOR 2

Roosevelt Anosike
Andrew Cibor*
Ayo Eremah
Julian Maring
Patrick Moran*

BASS 1

Jaidon Contreras
Aidan Decker*
Jon Enwesi
Cole Love
Kasapo Mwanza*
Demetrius Reid

BASS 2

Matthew Akonnor*
Alasdair Brown*
Eli Cummins
Caleb Freihage
Brandon Marshall
Thomas Metz
Juan Diego Pantoja Alfaro

Nonperforming Groups for the Kaleidoscope Concert

DeMATHA HARMONICS

Gabriel Chavez*
Kyle Curley
Jason Dacanay
Ethan Denbow
Jayden Faison

John Greenleaf*
Renaldo Harper
Adrian Hernandez
Liam Highfill
Christian Jones

Menata Melis
David Mensah
Oliver Wesberry
Daniel Williams

DeMATHA SINGERS 9

Princly Ejezie
Braxton Harris
James Hibbler

Zion Jones
Cameron Lewis
Elijah Mendy

Ryan Ntimeh
John Soder
Jakob Sumner

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2025 – 2026 CONCERT SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 2	OPEN HOUSE Jazz Ensemble and Sinfonia DeMatha Catholic High School, 10:00 AM
Saturday, November 15	JUNIOR ALL-STATE BAND AND ORCHESTRA AUDITIONS Select musicians only - will be notified.
Saturday, November 15	MUSIC DEPARTMENT 5K RUN / WALK Glenn Dale Community Center, 7:30 AM
Tuesday, November 18	SIDE-BY-SIDE CONCERT WITH MARYLAND WINDS Wind Ensemble Bowie State University, 7:30 PM
Saturday, November 22	SENIOR ALL-STATE BAND AND ORCHESTRA AUDITIONS Select musicians only - will be notified.
Wednesday, December 3	FALL CONCERT Concert Band I, Percussion Ensemble I, Concert Band II, Concert Strings I, Concert Strings Elizabeth Seton High School, 7:00 PM
Tuesday, December 9	FALL CONCERT Percussion Ensemble II, Advanced Percussion Ensemble, Symphonic Band Elizabeth Seton High School, 7:00 PM
Wednesday, December 10	FALL CONCERT Jazz Ensemble and DeMatha Chorus Convocation Center, 7:00 PM
Tuesday, December 16	FALL CONCERT Sinfonia, Philharmonic, and Wind Ensemble Bowie State University, 7:00 PM
Saturday, January 10	ALUMNI BAND CONCERT Wind Ensemble, Sinfonia, Philharmonic Dekelboum Concert Hall, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, 7:00 PM
Saturday, January 17	WAMTC HONOR BAND / ORCHESTRA AUDITIONS St. John's College High School. Times vary.
Saturday, February 7	PG COUNTY SOLO AND ENSEMBLE FESTIVAL All instrumental musicians participate. Requires piano accompaniment. Thomas Pullen CPA School. Times vary.
February 20 – February 22	SENIOR ALL-STATE BAND AND ORCHESTRA Rehearsals and performances. Baltimore, MD
Wednesday – Saturday February 25 - February 28	WAMTC HONOR BAND AND ORCHESTRA Rehearsals and Performances. DeMatha (rehearsals), Seton (concert)

2025 – 2026 CONCERT SCHEDULE

March 6 - March 8	JUNIOR ALL-STATE BAND AND ORCHESTRA Rehearsals and performances. Baltimore, MD
March 24 – March 26	PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY BAND AND ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL Sinfonia, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble Northwestern High School 3/24 - Sinfonia 3/26 - Symphonic and Wind Ensemble
Wednesday, April 8	INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PARENT’S MEETING FOR VA BEACH TRIP PARTICIPANTS. Antler Room, 7:00 PM <i>-It is mandatory for one adult per family to attend.</i> <i>-The meeting will be preceded by a 6:30 PM concert featuring Jazz Ensemble.</i>
Thursday – Saturday April 16 – April 18	MUSIC FESTIVAL TRIP - VIRGINIA BEACH, VA Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Advanced Percussion Ensemble, Sinfonia, Voices of DeMatha
Tuesday, April 28	SPRING CONCERT Concert Strings I, Concert Strings, Concert Band I Percussion Ensemble I, Concert Band II Elizabeth Seton High School, 7:00 PM
Friday, May 1	MUSIC IN THE PARKS - HERSHEY PARK (DAY TRIP) Concert Band II, Percussion Ensemble II, Concert Strings DeMatha Singers 9, DeMatha Harmonics
Tuesday, May 5	SPRING CONCERT Percussion Ensemble II, Advanced Percussion Ensemble, Symphonic Band Bladensburg High School, 7:00 PM
Thursday, May 7	SPRING SING DeMatha Choruses Convocation Center, 7:00 PM
Monday, May 11	SPRING CONCERT Sinfonia, Philharmonic, Wind Ensemble Bowie State University, 7:00 PM
Saturday, May 16	INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC AWARDS CEREMONY Antler Room, 6:30 PM
Friday, June 5	GRADUATION Symphonic Band and Voices of DeMatha Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, 9:00 AM

CLASS OF 2026 SENIOR MEMORIES

Thomas Berry - Trumpet

Graduation band was a unique music experience. Everyone from almost every band level played together and it was a nice full band sound. It was also cool seeing a few of my friends that were in the graduating grades for the last time at graduation.



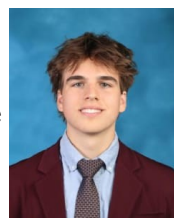
Alasdair Brown - Cello

A favorite music memory was having a 30 minute conversation on the way to the auditorium during the 2024 music trip, about the rules and depth of the Pixar cars universe.



Andrew Cibor - Trombone

I was so happy when I found out my mom would work in the music building.



Justin Creppy - Trumpet

My best music memory was when we went to Medieval Times in my junior year. It was my first time going since I was young and I really enjoyed being there with my friends.



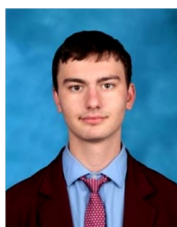
Oluwatemilorun Dehinbo - Viola

One of my favorite music memories was when I played my viola for my church.



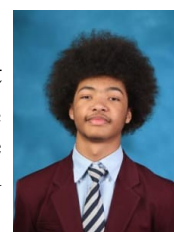
Alex Gatti - Percussion

My sophomore year music trip where I got to spend time in the hotel with my friends.



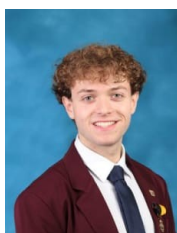
Jaylen Goode - Clarinet

During our sophomore year music trip, after being in the venue for 8 hours, the Wind Ensemble got to perform. Our closer that year was Mars from Holsts's The Planets. My favorite performance, everything went right and in the end, getting to hear the loudest applause, and getting it from our DeMatha brothers is a feeling I'll never forget.



Jesse Kliman - Cello

All-State Chorus has always been one of my favorite memories. I loved getting to meet new people who love music just as much as I do, and singing in such a high-caliber choir has been so much fun.



Lazarus McCarthy - Trumpet

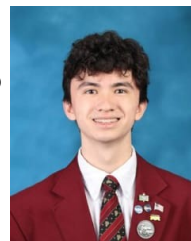
Mr. Bickel's anecdotes, and his incredible soprano.



CLASS OF 2026 SENIOR MEMORIES, CONTINUED

Brayden Offutt—Cello

My favorite music memory is Jesse playing the Viola.



Randy Randolph—Flute

When the adjudicator conducted Mars with our Wind Ensemble.



Xavier Raymond—Trombone

My favorite music memory was during the winter jazz concert in my sophomore year. The atmosphere was unlike any other concert I've personally been apart of while including some of my favorite performed pieces, like Superstition by Stevie Wonder and This Christmas. I believe that this performance got me truly hooked onto playing jazz music right now and maybe even beyond high school.



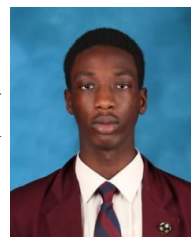
Robert Reeser—Trumpet

My favorite memory was on our music trip to Myrtle Beach where we played football on the beach until it was time to go to our rooms.



Christopher Sekyere—Viola

It would probably have to be on the music trip when we were at the mall just playing with random stuff.



Jeremiah West—Percussion

My favorite music memory is being awarded the 2025 James S. Roper Scholarship Award for Progression in Music. This accomplishment was not only a milestone for me, but also a beautiful blessing from God. I began my journey in music because of my grandfather, who inspired me deeply. Though he has passed away, I carried his love for music with me when I came to DeMatha, determined to make him proud. Receiving this award was truly the fulfillment of words spoken into existence and a reminder that his legacy continues to help me strive in music. I also want to thank Mr. Castrillon, Mr. Bickel, Dr. Gatti, Mr. Gonzales and Mrs. Cibor for being such great leaders and for making music a meaningful learning experience during my time at DeMatha. Your guidance and encouragement have played a huge role in shaping not only my progression in music, but also my character and in helping the Music program at DeMatha thrive!



Jacob Arthur—Percussion

My favorite memory was when I was first learning how to play the drum set when I lived in Ghana.



William Herman

My favorite memory was Busch Gardens during the Virginia Beach trip.



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Xavier: From 4th grade to now, you've worked hard to become a good trombonist. Very proud of your growth over the years, your passion for music, and your commitment to musicianship. Keep shining, keep playing, keep learning. Best wishes to you and the Class of 2026!

Love, Mom & Grand ❤️

Xavier Raymond 26



"I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHICH STRENGTHENS ME" (Philippians 4:13)

**CONGRATULATIONS
Thomas Berry, II
Class of 2026**

Thomas, we are beyond proud of you! Taking this journey with you through life has been a tremendous blessing, privilege and honor! You have grown into an amazing young man and we look forward to seeing all that God has in store for you in your next chapter! The best is yet to come!

Love,
Dad, Mom, Me Me, Grandmom T, Aunt Trece, and our village!



**Alex Gatti, Class of 2026
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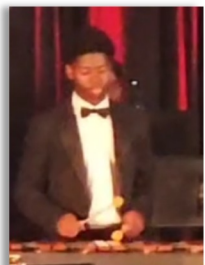


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Mom and Dad*

Nick Roberts '26

**Michael
Lebbie
'26**





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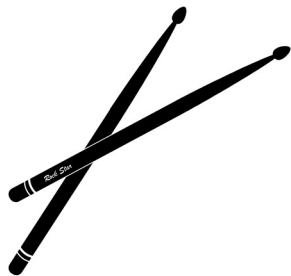
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WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU AND ALL YOU HAVE ACCOMPLISHED IN
YOUR MUSIC CAREER! FROM THE CLARINET AND OBOE IN FOURTH GRADE
TO THE BASSOON IN 5TH THROUGH 12TH GRADE, YOU HAVE WORKED VERY
HARD. WE BELIEVE IN YOU AND KNOW YOU WILL ACHIEVE GREAT THINGS!

-MOM, DAD, KATIE, AND MAGGIE



Jeremiah West Class of 2026



Congratulations Jeremiah!

We are so proud of you for all that you have accomplished in DM
Music over the last four years. Your love of music is a testament
and honor to your Grandfather, who loved you so much and
delighted in your musical interests. We know that greatness will
continue for you as you take your talents to college. Continue the
legacy of music in our family. We love you and celebrate you –
well done!

Let's go Class of 2026!

Love,

Mom, Dad, Leila & Marcus

THEO & EVAN



Paws down we think you "ROCK"

May your musical pursuits continue to grow and
bring you joy throughout life.

Awesome Job!

Love Mom, Dad, and River



CHRISTIAN AUSTIN '29

Congratulations
Christian Austin,
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your success!



DM
*Theodore Nkuo,
Class of 2027*

Congrats, Teddy,
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you!

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You grow with
it, and it goes
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wherever you go!

Keep up the good
work!

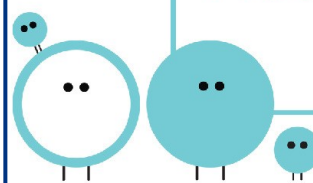
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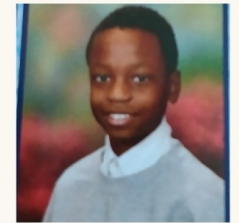
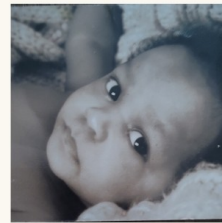



Jesse Kliman Class of 2026

Jesse, we love watching you unfold, discovering who you are as an artist, a scholar, a man, a soul-of-one. You've already done so much, yet it's this becoming — with all its many discoveries — that fills us most with joy. Your family, your tradition & culture, your ancients, hold you steady. And now, as you venture forth into the world, our great hope for you is to become even more fully *you*, alive to your own truth, & impervious to the world's rigid boxes & others' notions of success.

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We are so proud of you.
It's been a joy to witness this first chapter of
your journey. As you step into the next, keep
God close and stay true to your path.

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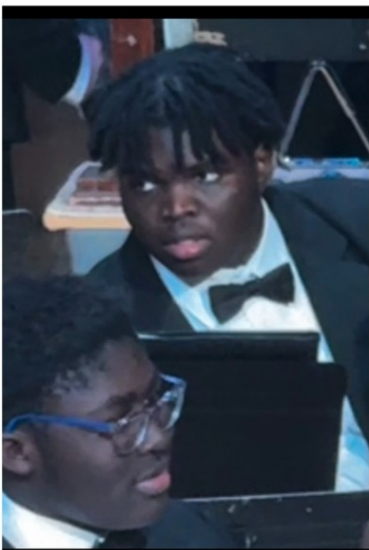
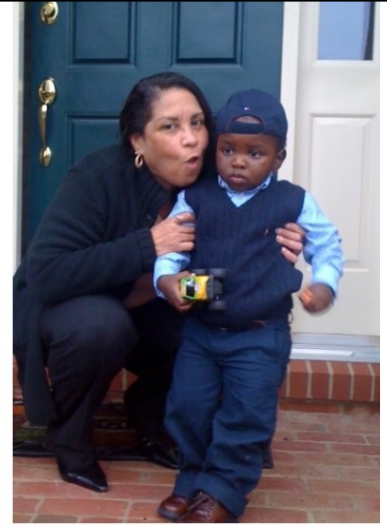
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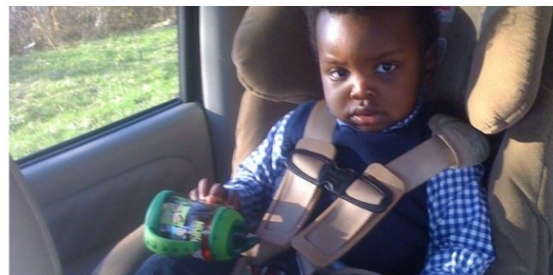


Congratulations Justin!

Mommie, Dad, and Nana are very proud of the faith-filled, scholar and gentleman you have become as our son and grandson. Granddad is cheering from heaven.

We are proud and excited for you as you prepare for your journey to college.

You are kind, respectful, and the humblest person who loves and cares for others.



JUSTIN CREPPY '26



BRAYDEN OFFUTT '26



Dear Brayden, Congratulations! We are so proud of you!
Love from Mom, Dad and Sissy!

Class of 2027

AYOOLUWA EREMAH

We are ecstatic seeing your growth in the proficiency of a wide variety of instruments and techniques as a percussionist. Congratulations on your extraordinary achievement to the Wind Ensemble. May God grant you the grace to continue to excel in maintaining the time and keeping the rhythmic foundation of music. Amen!!

With Love,
The Eremah's and the
Adeyemi's



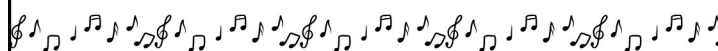


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Alasdair Brown '26



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Love,
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Thank you to "Coach" Turk, Mr. Castrillon & Mr. Bickell!



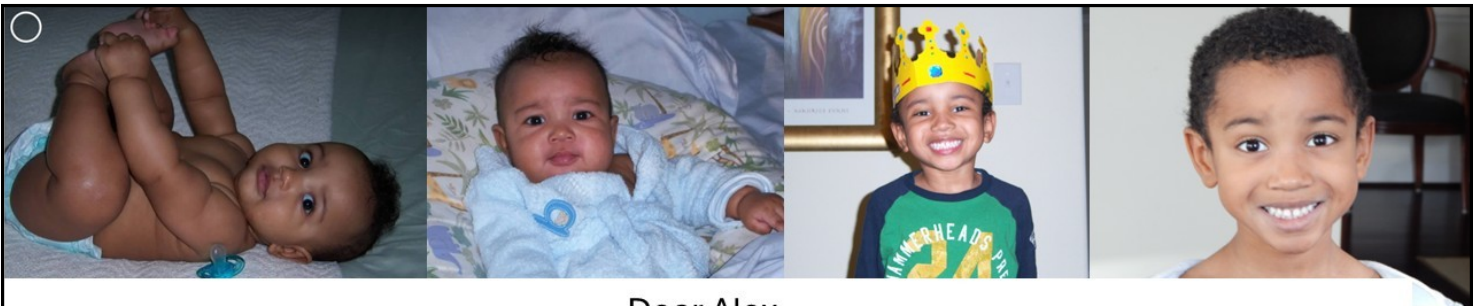


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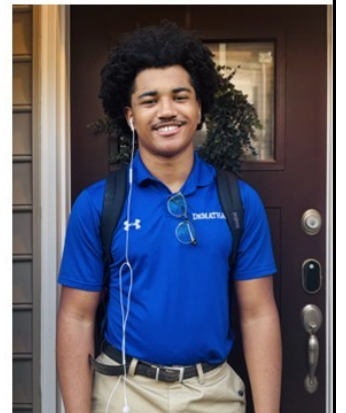
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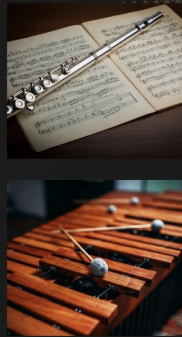
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