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St. Cecilia Academy choir sends 4 students All-State Choir

The Middle Tennessee Vocal Association auditions high school singers to fill 18 female seats per voice part in Tennessee All-State Choir and St. Cecilia Academy choir students are filling four seats, possibly five if an alternate is needed.

“Making All-State is a huge honor,” said St. Cecilia Academy Choir Director Jeanette MacCallum. “Very few people are chosen for All-State. Middle Tennessee only has 10 female seats per voice part and we filled five of them!”

The St. Cecilia Academy students who were chosen for the All-State Choirs are: Della Smith, Lexy Rowe, Elaine Davis, and Bridget Simpson; Katie Hobbs is an alternate to All-State.

In addition to the All-State selections, during the recent MTVA Choir Auditions SCA choir students auditioned for Freshman Honors Choir and Mid-State Choir. Every SCA freshman who auditioned was placed. This includes: Maddie Lawry, Maddie Sposato, Madeline Hankins and Genny Parkes. SCA students selected for the Mid-State Choirs are: Mary Ann Bilhartz, Olivia Reed, Emily Beavers, Dory Miller, Caitlyn Lovell and Gabby Chejj.

“All these girls will be going to rehearse and perform with the choir they were placed in,” Mrs. MacCallum said. “The choirs will be made up of the highest ranked choral singers from the auditions process.”

St. Cecilia Academy is Nashville’s oldest private high school, founded in 1860 by the Dominican Sisters of the St. Cecilia Congregation. The Academy has been named to the Top 50 best Catholic high schools in the U.S. list four times since 2004. Seventy-eight percent of the Class of 2009 earned college scholarships totaling \$4.6 million. Five St. Cecilia Academy students – 9 % of the senior class – have been recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Program for high scores on the PSAT for 2009.

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