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Mr. DeWilde Named Director of North Jersey Junior Concert Band

(Wayne, NJ) – The Wayne Township Public Schools are proud to share that Mr. Christopher DeWilde, one of the Anthony Wayne Middle School Band Directors, was selected by the North Jersey School Music Association (NJSMA) as the Director of the North Jersey Junior Concert Band. Each year, the North Jersey School Music Association sponsors two honor bands at the middle school level. Students from all seven counties that encompass the northern region of New Jersey are able to audition for a seat in the 60 musician symphonic winds or the 79 musician concert band. Once students have successfully auditioned and earned membership, they have an intense four-day rehearsal schedule before presenting their concert. This year's concert is scheduled for Sunday, March 3rd at Randolph High School.

Mr. DeWilde recently noted, "I am looking forward to this opportunity as conductor of the Concert Band. It will be a great experience to work with all of these talented students and help guide them through their musical education."

The program to be performed by the NJSMA Junior Concert Band includes the following:

Fire by Gary Gilroy

The Fairest of the Fair by John Philip Sousa (arranged by Andrew Balent)

Bloom by Steven Bryant

Danse Carnivale by Randall Standridge

Celebration and Song by Robert Sheldon

West Side Story by Leonard Bernstein & Stephen Sondheim (arranged by Jay Bocook)

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