



## Young Musicians Perform in Chicago Music Festival

Lincoln High School (LHS) music students returned from Chicago, IL after racking up impressive awards at the “World Strides on Stage Heritage Music Festival” held April 1, 2017 at Bolingbrook High School. The group, headed by LHS Music Department Educator Jeanne Olson, consisted of 54 student-musicians and their chaperones.

The Symphonic Band, made up of members of the Wind Ensemble and Concert Band, participated in the annual festival. According to Olson, the Symphonic Band played a variety of concert repertoire, including: “Manhattan Beach March,” JP Sousa; “With Quiet Courage,” Larry Daehn; and “American Riversongs,” Pierre LaPlante. The band also had the opportunity to work with Dr. Timothy Yontz following the performance.

“I am very proud of what we do as a music department and what the students can accomplish as young musicians,” Olson said. “To be able to travel with the students and perform at a high level is a testament to the staff, the students’ musicianship, and their dedication to the music program. I am especially proud of the adjudicator’s *Maestro Award* that our entire percussion section received. The *Maestro Award* is normally given to one outstanding student from the bands that competed; the way our students work together to achieve excellence is amazing, and was reflected in their section receiving the award.”

