

**Congratulations to eight of our ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE SCHOOL and HIGH SCHOOL RLB's Band students on being selected into the Honor Band this year.**

This event will take place on this Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup> , at the Marshall High School Performing Arts Center in Marshall, Minnesota. This event is sponsored **by MBDA (Minnesota Band Directors Association)** of which both Band Instructors, Mrs. Bierman and Mrs. Bushard are members. Twenty-eight band directors in our region submitted a total of 334 student nominations for this event. There were 192 students nominated for the 6-8 band and 142 for the 9-10 band. There will be 44 schools represented in the Bands from the 334 students who were nominated. There will be 2 separate Bands rehearsing all day on Saturday and performing Saturday afternoon/early evening. There is a Middle School Band (6-8), and a High School Honor Band (9-10). Four of the eight students who were selected from RLB are unable to participate this year. RLB school districts have four students who are preparing music with their teachers before going to Marshall and will be participating in both of the 100 piece bands with full instrumentation. There are two students from the 6<sup>th</sup> grade and two students from the High School, who will be participating. **Those students who were selected and will participate in Marshall on Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup> are as follows:**

**Middle School HONOR BAND (6-8):**

**6<sup>th</sup> , Ashley Noerenberg, Trumpet**

**6<sup>th</sup> , Lexy Ruesch, Clarinet**

**High School HONOR BAND (9-10):**

**9<sup>th</sup> , Michaela Postma, Flute**

**10<sup>th</sup> , Heather Postma, Clarinet**

The day will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will conclude with a concert by both bands at 4:30. Admission is free and open to the public. Each band will be conducted by 2 separate well-known directors in the region. Directing the 6-8 Band will be Dr. John Ginocchio, SMSU Band Director. Directing the 9-10 Band will be Mr. Michael Peterson, 5-12 director at Fulda High School.

**CONGRATULATIONS: TO RLB HONOR BAND STUDENTS and GOOD LUCK SATURDAY, January 19<sup>th</sup> IN MARSHALL!**