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West Essex musician makes national band

■ Brian Gieger to play tuba for All-Eastern Honors

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Brian Gieger, a tuba player from Roseland, has been selected to play with the National All-Eastern Honors Concert Band.

Ensemble. Gieger said he plans to major in music or double major in music and something else next year when he goes to college.

Gieger can also play the trombone and piano, but the tuba is his favorite. "The tuba is one of the most important instruments because it sets a foundation for the other instruments," he said.

High School Band Director John Scozzaro said he is very proud of Gieger.

"This is an incredible accomplishment that Brian has achieved," he said. "This prestigious band is comprised of 150 of the best student musicians from the entire Northeast. Brian is one of only 24 students selected from New Jersey to be part of the ensemble. Brian is an extremely hard worker and pushes himself and those around him to be better each and every day."

Scozzaro said that Gieger's willingness to constantly challenge himself has led him to be the musician he is. Scozzaro said that Gieger's achievement is a great reflection on the West Essex Music Program.

"We have lots of great things going on in our department and we receive a tremendous amount of support from the school and community," he said. "The band has been making strides each year and this just shows the type of students we have and the dedication and commitment to excellence that they each possess."

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NORTH CALDWELL—West Essex High School senior Brian Gieger, a tuba player from Roseland, has been selected to play with the National All-Eastern Honors Concert Band.

Gieger said he was very surprised to learn that he was the first student from West Essex High School to ever be selected to play in the All-Eastern Honors Concert Band.

"It's a cool opportunity to be a part of a band with the most talented musicians from high schools across the east coast," Gieger said.

Gieger, who has played the tuba since the seventh grade at West Essex Middle School, is a member of the West Essex Marching Band and High School Band, Jazz Band and Brass

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