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## To the Attendees of the 2024 Midwest Clinic,

The Leander Independent School District is proud to be represented by the students and faculty of the Rouse High School Honor Band. Their concert is a tribute to the dedication and expertise of both the students you will hear today, and those who performed on the recording that led to their selection as a featured performer at the 2024 Midwest Clinic. Our band students exemplify the pursuit of musical and personal excellence that is a cornerstone of all the fine arts programs in Leander ISD. It is the goal of the Leander ISD to Inspire Excellence in every one of our fine arts students through hard-work, service, and as you will hear today, performance.

This is an exciting milestone for the Rouse High School Band Program, as it is their FIRST TIME to perform at the Midwest Clinic. The Rouse HS Band continues to elevate expectations of what is possible in Texas band education, and we are so excited for this opportunity for their performance on the international stage!

We are proud of the dedication of these outstanding students and their directors, Ryan Johnstone, Caitlin Wolf, Anna Bush, James Sparling, and Anthony Mondragon and are grateful for the acknowledgement of their hard work and extra efforts that have made this accomplishment possible. In addition, we are grateful for the opportunity to recognize the support of their families, private instructors, and administration at Rouse High School. Their commitment to excellence and high standards serves both as a celebration of the accomplishments of our alumni as well as an inspiration to our current and future students.

The Leander ISD would like to express deep gratitude to the Midwest Clinic Board of Directors for making performance opportunities such as these possible for our students and so many other students around the country. The experience of performing at the Midwest Clinic is certainly a once-in-a-lifetime performance opportunity! I wish you all the best for a successful convention and safe travel home.

Sincerely,

Mike Howard
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