

## What an Opportunity!

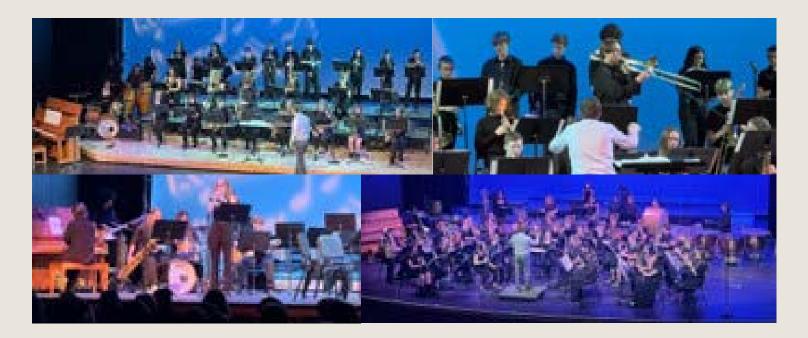


On March 13th, VSAA dancers and staff traveled to Portland to experience the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater performance in March. We were inspired by the amazing technique and artistry. It was exciting to see VSAA alumni at the event too. After the performance, we had a lovely time meeting one of the dance company cast members.



March Band Concert

March was certainly a month filled with music -- from the LCRMEA Middle School Band Festival and the band concert in VSAA's Durst Theatre on March 20th, music filled the air! Here are some highlights from the Durst concert...



Skills USA

The VSAA Chapter of Skills USA was invited and competed at the State Skills USA Leadership and Conference and Competitions in Tacoma from March 21-23. Twenty-two students in grades 9-12 participated in the conference in events including Photography, American Sign Language, Community Action Project, Job Interview, Quiz Bowl, Digital Cinema Production, Television Production, and 2D Animation. The following students earned medals in the respective events. Students were invited based on their placements at the Regional Leadership Event that occurred here in Vancouver on February 5, 2024.

## **Community Action - Gold Medal**

Ruby Montoya Reyes Jesadia-Jayliana Merino

Job Interview - Gold Medal Adelaide Waite

**Quiz Bowl - Gold Medal** 

Nicholas Campos Brooklyn Kain Adelaide Waite David Senior Ruby Montoya-Reyes Adrian Nelson

Over 1200 students participated in 97 different competitions from around the state. If you see SkillsUSA students, congratulate them on their contribution to the chapter! They represented our school and chapter with integrity, flexibility, respect, and dignity. Thanks also to staff Jake and Rebecca for all your assistance in helping these students with whatever was needed over the three days of travel and competition.



The dance department at Gonzaga University treated VSAA with a special performance March 14th. They shared information about their degree as well as campus opportunities.

Photography

Be sure to stop in and view the work by photography students!

