

2002 – 2003 Honors

Concert Bands

- **OMEA State Large Group Event, Harrison High School, May 2, 2003**

Symphonic Winds, Class AA – I Superior Rating

Symphonic Band, Class A – I Superior Rating

- **OMEA District XIII Large Group Event, Mason High School, March 7 & 8, 2003**

Symphonic Winds, Class AA – I Superior Rating

Symphonic Band, Class A – I Superior Rating

Concert Band, Class B – II Excellent Rating

Freshman 3rd Period, Class C – I Superior Rating

Freshman 4th Period, Class C – I Superior Rating

Lakota West Jazz

- **North Texas Jazz Festival**

The Lakota West Jazz Ensemble was recognized as one of the nation's top high school jazz bands by being invited to perform at the North Texas Jazz Festival on April 4 – 6 in Addison, Texas. During the evening concert on April 5, several Lakota West students were among those honored as outstanding soloists during the festival. Congratulations to John Morgan on trombone and to the entire sax section – Scott Sutton, Eashwar Chandrasekaran, Ryan Slandzicki, Joe Gaskey, and Kevin Leung!

- **OMEA State Jazz Band Event, Hilliard Davidson HS, March 22, 2003**

Jazz Ensemble, Class AA – I Superior Rating

▪ **Beavercreek Jazz Festival, Beavercreek High School,
March 2, 2003**

1st Place: 177.5, Lakota West Jazz Ensemble

*2nd Place: 169.5, Concord, Elkhart, Indiana (last year's
winner)*

3rd Place: 163.1, Princeton

4th Place: 155.5, Lebanon

Outstanding Soloist: Eashwar Chandrasekaran, Lakota West

▪ **Senior Award Winners**

John Philip Sousa – Maria Finkelmeier

*Senior Concerto – John Morgan, Mitch Roelecke, and Maria
Finkelmeier*

Semper Fi –

Louis Armstrong Award –

2002 – 2003 OMEA All-State Ensembles 8 Lakota West Band Members	
Concert Band Elizabeth Palm, clarinet Vicki Gandy, contra bass clarinet Scott Sutton, alto sax Molly McPheron, cornet Melinda Miller, horn Catherine Turner, horn Maria Finkelmeier, percussion	Jazz Band Eashwar Chandrasekaran, saxophone Orchestra

Marching Firebirds – “The Planets”

- **New Orleans and Sugar Bowl Trip, Dec. 28, 2002 – Jan. 3, 2003**

The Marching Firebirds visited New Orleans and participated in the mass band event during the Sugar Bowl game. But the real highlight of the trip was an impromptu march through the streets of New Orleans after the game!

- **OMEA State Marching Band Contest, Dayton, November 1, 2002**

SUPERIOR RATING

- **Marching Firebird Awards**

Dan Kenworthy Scholarship Award: Maria Finkelmeier

Outstanding Senior Marcher:

Outstanding Senior Guard Member:

Outstanding Rookie Marcher:

Outstanding Rookie Guard Member:

- **Harrison High School Invitational, October 19, 2002**

Class AA Results

*Best Field Commander: **Lakota West***

*Best Auxiliary: **Lakota West***

Best Percussion: Lebanon

2nd Place: Lebanon

*1st Place: **Lakota West***

Overall Results

Best Field Commander: Springboro

*Best Auxiliary: **Lakota West***

Best Percussion: Lebanon

*Best Marching & Maneuvering: **Lakota West***

*Best General Effect: **Lakota West & Lebanon (tied)***

*Best Music: **Lakota West***

*Grand Champion: **Lakota West***

*OMEA Superior Ratings awarded to **Lakota West, Lebanon, Springboro, and Twin Valley South.***

▪ **Lockland High School Band Invitational, October 12, 2002**

Class AA Results

Best Field Commander: St. Xavier

*Best Auxiliary: **Lakota West***

*Best Percussion: **Lakota West***

3rd Place: St. Xavier

2nd Place: Anderson

*1st Place: **Lakota West***

Overall Results:

*Best Music: **Lakota West***

*Best Marching & Maneuvering: **Lakota West***

*Best General Effect: **Lakota West***

*Grand Champion: **Lakota West***

*OMEA Superior Ratings awarded to **Lakota West, LaSalle, Ross, Anderson, and St. Xavier.***

▪ **Talawanda High School Invitational, September 21, 2002**

Class AA Results:

1st Place Percussion: Anderson

*1st Place Auxiliary: **Lakota West***

3rd Place: Fairfield

2nd Place: Beavercreek

*1st Place: **Lakota West***

Overall Results:

*Outstanding Music: **Lakota West***

Outstanding Marching: Beaver creek

*Outstanding General Effect: **Lakota West***

Reserve Grand Champion: Beaver creek

*Overall Grand Champion: **Lakota West***

*OMEA Superior Ratings awarded to **Lakota West**, Beaver creek, Fairfield, Anderson and McNicholas.*

▪ **Tipp City Invitational, September 14, 2002**

Class AA Results:

2nd Place Auxiliary: Middletown

*1st Place Auxiliary: **Lakota West***

*2nd Place Percussion: **Lakota West***

1st Place Percussion: Fairfield

*2nd Place Field Commander: **Lakota West***

1st Place Field Commander: Sidney

3rd Place: Fairfield

2nd Place: Middletown

*1st Place: **Lakota West***

Overall Results:

*Outstanding Music: **Lakota West***

*Outstanding Marching and Maneuvering: **Lakota West***

*Outstanding General Effect: **Lakota West***

*Grand Champion: **Lakota West***

SUPERIOR RATING and qualifier for Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) State Contest – only band of the 17 in competition to do so!

▪ **Harrison High School Invitational, October 19, 2002**

Class AA Results