



Delaware Valley Among Best in the Nation for Music Education 8 Years Running

The Delaware Valley School District has been recognized as one of the Best Communities for Music Education by the National Association of Music Merchants Foundation for the eighth year in a row.

This award is given to the top 5 percent of school districts in the United States. Only 686 districts out of the 16,800 districts across America earned this designation this year.

The designation is given to schools and districts that demonstrate an exceptionally high commitment and access to music instruction and value music as part of a well-rounded education.

"As a music department, we are pleased and thankful for the tremendous amount of support from our community, school board and administrators that allows us to provide our students with great musical experiences" said Delaware Valley Music Department Chair Richard Horst. "Fundamentals build a strong foundation from kindergarten, and are nurtured yearly, all the way through high school."

Delaware Valley provides music instruction for all students in grades K-12. Course offerings include general music, chorus, band, jazz band, orchestra, music theory, and guitar. Delaware Valley music students participate in a variety of extra-curricular activities, including marching band, pep band, chamber choir, pit orchestra, and numerous music festivals at the district, regional, state, and national levels.

To qualify for the award, the Delaware Valley School District answered detailed questions about funding, graduation requirements, music class participation, instruction time, facilities and support for music programs.

To view the full list of 2021's Best Communities for Music Education Districts, please visit

<https://www.nammfoundation.org/articles/bcme-2021-districts>