

# Grenada Band Members Chosen for Delta State University Honor Band



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On January 17th five Grenada Band students traveled to Delta State University to participate in the annual Delta State University Honor Band. The students prepared and endured a rigorous audition process in which over 300 students auditioned for the band, but only 148 made the cut. This procedure takes the top students from all over the state and brings them together to play extremely challenging music that otherwise they might not get to perform. The students left after school Thursday, January 17, and spent that evening, the next day, and Saturday morning preparing for the concert. They stayed in the

dorms on campus at DSU and, for a short period of time, experienced college. With only ten hours of rehearsal the students put together a full concert under the direction of Mississippi Band Director Mr. Jay MacArthur.

Grenada Band was one of 25 band programs, spanning from Desoto County to Harrison County, represented at the honor band clinic. The students had an enjoyable time and learned a lot. The Grenada band directors prepared them for the auditions and are very proud of the students' accomplishments.

GHS band members (l to r) Joseph Perry, Christopher Bew, Stacy Brady, Jacobi Daugherty, and David James were chosen for the Delta State University Honor Band.

## GMS Students Explore Expository Writing



As part of an integrated unit based on the novel, *Stargirl*, by Jerry Spinelli, sixth grade language arts students at Grenada Middle School recently joined together to wish the author a happy 72nd birthday. February 1st marked the critically-acclaimed author's 72nd birthday. To learn more about the author's work and contributions, several students explored expository writing by electing to research and write biographic book reports or news articles about Spinelli. Students Lynsey Kilgore and Sara Murphy display their articles about the author. To see their projects go to the Grenada School District Facebook page and look for the GMS Reports.

## Teaching Resources

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# GHS Powerlifting Team Wins 6A District



(kneeling left to right) Nate Evans, Mario King, James Carver, Darius Johnson, Lekedrick Hardiman, Jamaris David, and A. J. Forrest (standing left to right) Shareef White, Jadarius Herrod, Stuart Shaw, Charles Stockstill, Genard Avery, and John Austin Cook. The following lifters set 6A District Powerlifting Records: Darius Johnson 465 lb. squat and 300 lb. bench; Genard Avery 330 lb bench; Stuart Shaw 585 lb. squat, 340 lb. bench and 1475 lb. total. Congratulations GHS Powerlifting Team!