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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **YUCCA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHOIR STUDENTS WIN MUSIC AWARDS**

Congratulations go out to choir students from Yucca Middle School on their recent success at the 2010 Southeast New Mexico Music Educators Association Solo and Ensemble Festival held on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

Thirty-eight students from Yucca sang solos. Of those, 32 received the top rating of “Superior” and seven of those students received the coveted “Superior Plus” award. Additionally, six soloists received a rating of “Excellent.”

Yucca had 17 ensembles perform. Eleven ensembles received the top rating of “Superior” and one of those ensembles received the “Superior Plus” award. The other six ensembles received an “Excellent Rating.”

Yucca had 3 students named “Outstanding Soloist” at the Festival, they are: Yvonne Sisneros, Justin Vistine & Mari Garcia.

Additionally, Yucca was awarded the “Outstanding Ensemble.” Members of the Ensemble are: Justin Vistine, Brian Guereque-Cruz, Nicholas Chastang, Corbin Dawkins & Marshall Moore.

In total, Yucca students brought home a total of 83 Superior medals from the contest!

The Yucca Choir Program is under the direction of Ms. Tami Martin.

The mission of the Clovis Municipal Schools, an alliance highly committed to educational excellence, is to equip each student with the knowledge and skills needed for a productive life of creative thinking, continuous learning, and exemplary character through challenging and engaging learning experiences led by a dedicated, unified team in vital partnership with family, church, and community.