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## MLC Instrumentalists – In Their Own Words



### Katie Rosenau

*Leesburg HS-FL / St. Mark-Leesburg FL*

*Majors: Elem Ed & Secondary English Ed*

*Pic: Katie demonstrates how to play trumpet at a grade school concert.*

**Playing with a higher purpose:** A college ensemble is different from a high school band. At MLC we're all going to be in the public ministry together, and it's a special experience to be in an extracurricular like Wind Symphony while we're preparing to do that.

**Auditions without the jitters:** Auditions here are very low-pressure! Everyone plays a couple of scales and then two excerpts of music—usually one fast and one slow. Then there's a short sight-reading section. It takes maybe 10 minutes total!

**Meet Maestro Wurster:** He has a wealth of music knowledge! He's also

extremely passionate about what he does, and that excitement transfers to us during class. He genuinely loves sharing Jesus through music, and it's encouraging to witness!

**Music at MLC . . .** is phenomenal! There are amazing music teachers and endless opportunities to play for services, chapel, concerts, and in-town churches. Even if you're not going to be a music major, definitely get involved!

### Joseph Schroeder

*MVL / St. Paul-North Mankato MN*

*Major: Preseminary Studies*

*Pic: Joe plays for a special Hilltop worship service at a downtown bistro.*

**Making a joyful noise:** I've had the joy of playing my saxophone for local congregations, and I intend to continue using it to beautify worship services to our great God.

**Host homes and hoops:** One essential part of Wind Symphony tour in May is meeting host families. With quite a few, we stayed up late and got to know each other. Another common thread was playing basketball whenever we could. Whether it was rolling an ankle in a random driveway in Stillwater or brutally rejecting the shots of 3rd and 4th graders, we had a lot of fun.

**What it's really about:** I really do believe in what we're working toward here. MLC is a great environment to grow your faith, be encouraged by others, and find various ways you can serve the Lord. Our focus is always on Christ first, and then we can recognize the great gift of music we can use to glorify him.

**His advice:** Give MLC a try! This isn't just about being called workers. It's about being children of God who have the honor to serve him and show his love.

