



Five Washington Jr. High band students participated in the St. Ambrose Jr. High Honor Band festival in Davenport on Saturday, October 29th. Pictured here are Maddy, Nayra, Tara, Jasmine, and Jessie who were nominated by Washington Jr. High director along with 6 more Washington Jr. High students. These five were selected based on many criteria set up on a nomination form by St. Ambrose University. They spent most of the day rehearsing with St. Ambrose band director, Dr. Gene Bechen, and then performed a concert along with the St. Ambrose University Band at 4pm. One of the pieces played at this concert was entitled "The Messege on the Rock" and was inspired by an artist named Ray Sorensen from central Iowa. Mr. Sorensen gave a slide show presentation and spoke about his work on the "Freedom Rock" during the concert. The festival band followed his presentation with their performance of "The Message on the Rock".