

**2017 OhioMTA Pre-Collegiate Buckeye Results  
Malone University, June 10, 2017**

**Elementary Strings:**

Winner – Alex Zhu from NE District student of Wei-Fang Gu  
Alternate – Nicole Lin from CE District student of Tatiana V. Hanna

**Junior High Strings:**

Winner – Maxwell Fairman from SW district student of Marion Peraza de Webb  
Alternate – Joseph Lin from CE district student of Tatiana V. Hanna  
Honorable Mention(s) – Dawei Liu from NW district student of Yang Kun Song  
Smantha Ma from ME district student of Wei-Fang Gu

**Senior High Strings:**

Winner – Maria Wu from NE district student of Eugenia Poustyrev  
Alternate – Christine Shih from CE district student of David Niwa  
Honorable Mention (s) – Grace Brown from ME district student of Amy Barlowe  
Sean Park from NW district student of Vasile Beluska

**Elementary Brass and Woodwinds:**

Winner - Liyanjin Zhu from CE district student of Beth Owen

**Junior High Brass and Woodwinds:**

Winner – Vance Raiti from the NW district student of Lori Bitz  
Alternate – Stella Bixler from CE district student of Beth Owen

**Senior High Brass and Woodwinds**

Winner – Katherine Wang from NE district student of Amitai Vardi

**Elementary Piano:**

Winner – Jonathan Luo from SW district student of Dr. Benita Tse-Leung  
Alternate – Cory Wu from CE district student of Kathleen Sadoff  
Honorable Mention – Rebekah Hong from NE district student of Terry Moran

**Junior High Piano:**

Winner – Asya Akkus from NE district student of Ella Karasik  
Alternate – Arun Kamath from SW district student of Richard Van Dyke  
Honorable Mention(s) – Kristina Rana from SE district student of Christopher Fisher  
Stanley Cao from CE district student of Nina Polonsky

**Senior High Piano:**

Winner – Catherine Baek from NE district student of Sean Schulze  
Alternate – Changning Xu from CE district student of Nina Polonsky  
Honorable Mention – Jack Li from SW district student of Luba Fedorov

**Adjudicators**

**Piano:** Mr. James Oakley and Mrs Raquel Teare. **Brass/Woodwinds:** Mrs. Julie Sarver  
**Strings:** Mrs. Janice Moore

The winners of the 2017 OhioMTA State Buckeye Auditions will perform on Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 7 PM in the Niswonger Performing Arts Center during the OMTA State Conference in Van Wert, Ohio. The Middle West district of OMTA will host the state conference.

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