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Hi! My name is Jinx Edwards. I started with music when I was three years old, taking private lessons with the music teacher at my private school. At eight, I began taking flute lessons, as well as violin with the same teacher. In 7<sup>th</sup> grade, I switched to French horn, and that has been my main instrument ever since. I also joined the indoor drumline group at my high school, where I played marching cymbals. After high school, I joined Pacific Crest Drum and Bugle Corps, and marched there this past summer (2022) on mellophone.

## PAST ENSEMBLES

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### Gahr High School

Director: Darren Loney  
2018-2022

Titles: Horn Section Leader, First Chair, Cymbal Section Leader

- Wind Ensemble
  - The upper ensemble at Gahr. Performed at CSU Fullerton, CSU Long Beach, the USS Arizona Memorial at Pearl Harbor, and various other prestigious locations.
- Marching Band
  - 7-time State Champions of the CSBC circuit.
    - 2018: Sweepstake Finals performance, total score of 95.55
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    - 2021: Took captions in visual and music performance, total score of 94.375
- Winter Drumline
  - The indoor drumline at Gahr. In 2018, the program was moved from Scholastic A in the SCPA circuit, to Open Class. The 2022 season was the first time in 5 years that the Gahr Indoor Drumline program made finals, taking 3<sup>rd</sup> place at SCPA Open Class Finals.

### Honour Bands:

- ABC District Honour Band (1<sup>st</sup> Chair)
  - Composed of auditionees from the high schools of the ABC Unified School District, a concert is put together once a year, in 3 rehearsals.
- Cerritos College Honour Band (3<sup>rd</sup> chair)
  - Assembled from exemplary high school students chosen by their respective directors, a 30-minute-long repertoire was prepared in 2 rehearsals, including pieces such as Alfred Reed's "Armenian Dances," and Gustav Holst's "Second Suite."

## PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

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### US Cellular Commercial

- A group of 5 students chosen out of 140 auditionees for their playing proficiency. This group spent several days recording and performing for the commercial, due to air nationally in 2023.

### Pacific Crest Drum and Bugle Corps

- Southern California's only World Class drum corps. Members of this program travel and perform 22 shows nationally over the course of 8 weeks between mid-June to mid-August, competing in 12 states at prestigious locations including, but not limited to, the Alamo Dome in San Antonio, Texas, the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, California, J. Birney Crum Stadium in Allentown, Pennsylvania, and Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, Indiana. Pacific Crest performed in DCI's preliminary and semi-

finals performances this season, ending with a score of 80.25. Staff that worked with the corps include Nathan Pratt, Matt Collins, Sean Phelan, DJ Landoll, Darren Loney, Anthony Clark, Andrew Fresquez, Kira Pattinson, Trevor Stojanovich, and other distinguished members of the Drum Corps International organization.

## **SOLO REPERTOIRES**

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### **2017:**

- Performed a piano solo at the Los Angeles Episcopal Diocese All School Student Concert, of the piece "He's a Pirate" by Hans Zimmer, from the "Pirates of the Caribbean: Curse of the Black Pearl."
- Performed a vocal duet to the song "My Shot," from the musical "Hamilton"

### **2018:**

- Performed the 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> horn solo in Vaclav Nelhybel's "Symphonic Movement"

### **2021:**

- During online learning, the members of the concert ensembles at Gahr each played and were judged on a solo piece of their choosing from a repertoire list. "A Day in Venice" was the piece I chose. I received an exemplary rating, as well as one of the highest solo scores in the program.