

2016 Malcolm Helm Memorial Endowed Scholarship Winner

Chance Krause, Southern Methodist University



Chance Krause's musical training began in Springtown, Texas under Jeremy Strickland and Robin Hidrogo. He attended Springtown High School where he marched in the band under Chris McLellan and Scott McPhetridge. For two years he served as the leader of the woodwind section and made the ATSSB state marching finals his senior year. He participated in the TMEA/ATSSB state solo and ensemble competition throughout high school and earned a chair in the ATSSB All-State Ensemble in 2013.

Currently Chance is beginning his senior year at Southern Methodist University where he is working toward a bachelors degree in Music Education. Throughout his time at SMU he has been a part of the Meadows Wind Ensemble, the Meadows Jazz Orchestra, saxophone

quartets, and performed with the Meadows Symphony Orchestra. Chance has repeatedly been on the Honor Roll and is currently in the top ten percent of his class. During the past two summers he worked for the SMU Music Educators Workshops where he helped facilitate operations for music educators from around the world.

Chance says he feels fortunate to have studied under Lynn Jackson, Brian Merrill, Sarah Allen, and Julie Scott, saying, "These professors have given me numerous teaching opportunities. I have gained private teaching experience as a saxophone instructor for Duncanville ISD."

After graduation Chance looks forward to teaching middle school or high school band in Texas.