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Aston, PA: The Penn-Delco School District is pleased to announce that Mr. Doug Raines, instrumental music teacher at Parkside and Pennell Elementary Schools, has been selected to represent the State of Pennsylvania for “School Band and Orchestra” magazine’s list of “50 Music Directors Who Make a Difference.” This is the 14th year that the magazine has created a list of the Top 50 Music Directors representing each state in the country. According to the magazine, “This annual report features an array of outstanding educators whose incredible diversity in style, geography, and demographic setting mirrors the similarly wide range of thriving music programs throughout the country. Teachers who make up the 2011 “50 Directors Who Make a Difference” present an uplifting mosaic of school music programs nationwide.”

In addition to teaching at both Pennell and Parkside Elementary Schools, Mr. Raines serves as the liaison to district administration for coordination and planning of music programs and curriculum. Mr. Raines has taught in the Penn-Delco School for 9 years. In 2011, Mr. Raines was also formally recognized by the Borough of Parkside for his leadership in developing an exemplary instrumental music program at Parkside Elementary School.

Dr. George Steinhoff, Superintendent of Schools stated, “The district is thrilled to see one of our own receive this deserved award and distinction. Mr. Raines has provided outstanding leadership for the exceptional growth in our performing arts department. He is one of the many rising stars we have in the district and his students are the beneficiaries of his dedication.”

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