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SAINT THOMAS ACADEMY SENIOR SINGS WITH MINNESOTA ORCHESTRA

MENDOTA HEIGHTS, Minn., Nov. 16, 2009 – Saint Thomas Academy announced today that senior cadet R. Wood will sing the national anthem with the Minnesota Orchestra as part of its American Salute on Wednesday, Nov. 18, at 11:35 a.m. at Orchestra Hall. Wood was chosen for the honor after several rounds of tryouts. For more information, visit:
http://www.minnesotaorchestra.org/season/event_detail.cfm?id_event=910046.

In spring 2009, the Hennepin Theatre Trust gave Wood a SpotLight Musical Theatre Program Award, which recognizes accomplishments by high schools. He received an Honorable Mention for Performance in a Supporting Role for playing Mareb in 2009 VISTA Production *Aida*. Wood is actively involved with VISTA Productions, the combined theater program of Saint Thomas Academy and the Convent of the Visitation School, as well as the Academy's choir.

About Saint Thomas Academy

Founded in 1885, Saint Thomas Academy is an all-male, college preparatory, Catholic, military/leadership school committed to preparing young men to succeed in college and in life. Nationally accredited by the Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS), the academy challenges young men to excel academically, spiritually, morally and physically in and out of the classroom. For more information, please visit www.cadets.com.

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