

MEET JAYDEN SHIN

For Jayden Shin, it was no coincidence that he found a passion for playing the cello. It all started when Shin was eight years old and decided to partake in orchestra. "I am inspired by the people in my orchestra and the people I am able to meet through it, such as teachers, peers at All-State and

friends," Shin said. Because of his hard work, he has been able to meet his goals as a cellist. "An achievement of mine is being able to make the All-State orchestra both my freshman and sophomore year," Shin said. This is a highly competitive and selective orchestra, which makes Shin's accomplishment a big success. He will continue to forge

forward with the instrument, setting more goals for the future. His plan is to continue playing in order to see where it takes him. "I plan to audition once again for All-State my junior and senior year," Shin said. Being a cellist is now a part of who he is and is something he hopes to never stop doing.



Jayden Shin poses with his cello before a performance Jan. 24. Photo used with permission

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Howaida Musa stands outside West High in the early morning light. Photo by Maddy Smith

MEET HOWAIDA MUSA

Howaida Musa is a fun-loving sophomore who enjoys spending time with her friends. She spends her time reading, sewing, journaling, listening to podcasts and cleaning. West offers so many great things, and Musa loves the vast amount of resources she has.

"There are so many clubs and opportunities to voice your thoughts, and students can actually have events or clubs made for things important to them. I think this is something I took for granted, but I realized not many schools let their students do things like that," Musa said. "My favorite high school memories are all the

memories I had with my friends, especially embarrassing moments. I remember a particular memory where I was in the orchestra room, and I was walking in between [chairs] after class. I fell [and I] was so embarrassed. I turned purple," Musa said.