

**Ms. Georgia Alemis**  
**2016 Cloyd Myers Memorial Award Recipient for Excellence in Music Education**

Ms. Georgia Alemis, Hadley Orchestra Director, was awarded the prestigious Cloyd Myers Memorial Award for Excellence in Music Education from the Illinois Grade School Music Association (IGSMA) on Monday, September 26, 2016 at the state IGSMA meeting. Ms. Alemis was nominated and chosen from the many music educators, adjudicators, and state board members from across the state of Illinois. She has conducted the Hadley String Orchestra to First Division Ratings at the IGSMA District and State levels for twenty-two consecutive years. In April of 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2015 and 2016, the Hadley String Orchestra received "Honor Status" for their exceptional performance in the Illinois Grade School Music Association State Organization Contest. No other junior high orchestra in the state of Illinois has achieved this honor.

"I am so deeply honored and humbled to receive this award," Ms. Alemis expressed at the state meeting on September 26, 2016. She is pictured alongside IGSMA Board President, Ms. Lisa Kiener-Barnett who presented the award to Ms. Alemis. Congratulations to Ms. Alemis for her strong dedication and expertise in the field of music education.