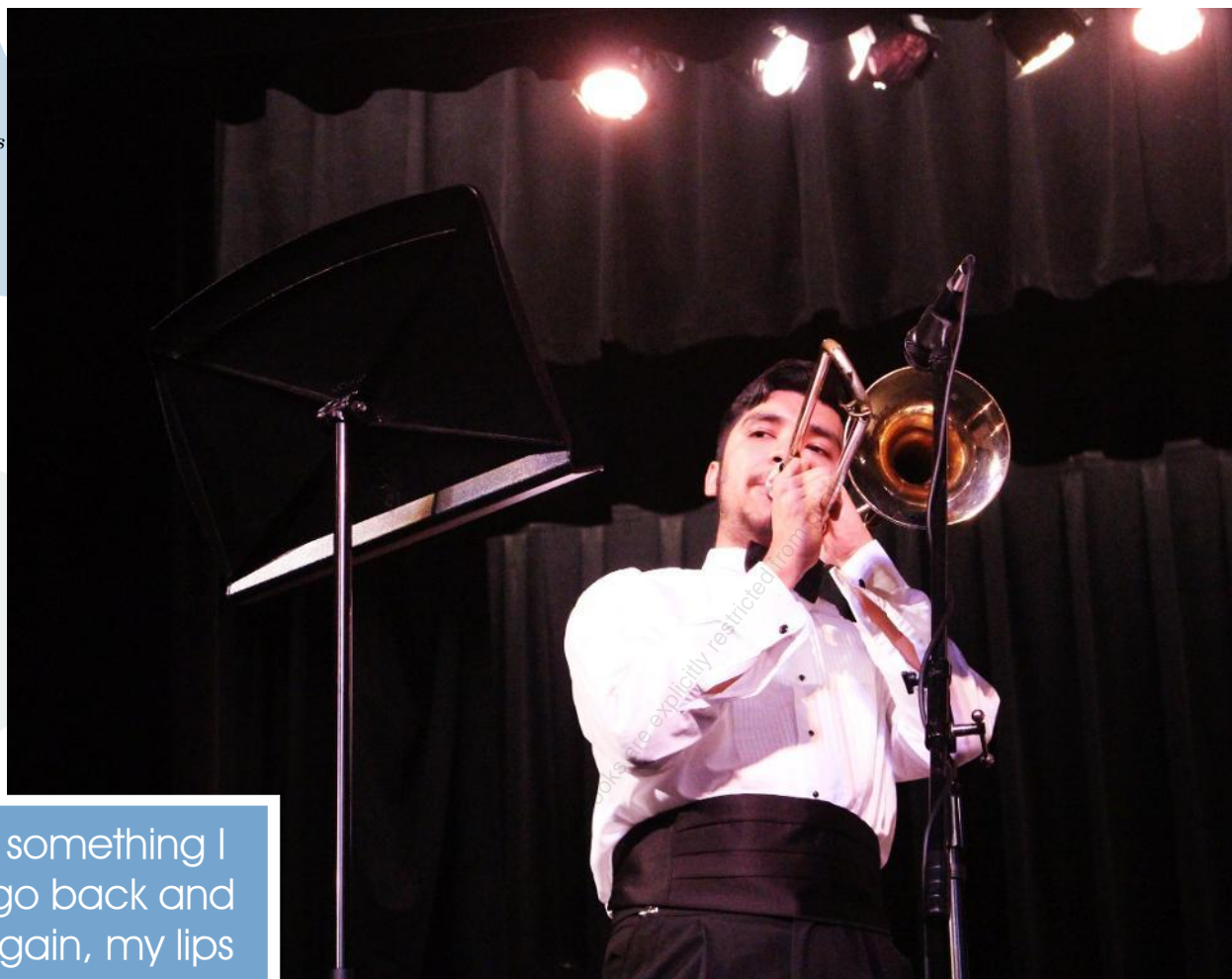


**IN THE SPOTLIGHT.**

Senior, Heden Perez takes the stage for his solo, "Cerulean Blue," at the Winter Band Concert. Photo Credit: Shana Carter



"My solo was something I wish I could go back and maybe do again, my lips were hurting so bad and I was so nervous. I've never been put in a position to be featured and play for an audience. Although I was nervous, I was so happy to have played in front of a group again and put my name out there."  
-Heden Perez

**COLLECTED.**

Sophomore, Zackery Bowman stays focused multi-tasking, reading his music and playing the saxophone during a performance. Photo Credit: Shana Carter



**TIME TO ROCK.**

North jazz band switches their program with a familiar song before changing groups with "Superstition" by Stevie Wonder. Photo Credit: Shana Carter



**GIRL POWER.** While waiting for the game to start and sporting their camo pants, students snap a quick photo showing their excitement for the big game against the Hoover Huskies.



**GOOD MORNING.** Every Friday morning the Polar Bearistas serve up hot cozy drinks for \$1.00 for staffs and students. All proceeds go to North High's special education program.



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**TUNE UP.** *Sophomore, Makayla Carter and junior, Noah Johnson warm up their instruments before director, Robert Starace begins the band concert with the first jazz piece, "Splanky." Photo Credit: Shana Carter*



# To the Beat



Concert sax section



North concert band waiting for cue



Freshman Mario Fuentes II



Band playing, "Latin Attitude"

Photo Credit: Shana Carter



**FOLLOW THE MUSIC.** *The Winter Band Concert makes their transition from the jazz ensemble to concert band, making sure their instruments are in key before starting off with, "Two British Folk Songs." Photo Credit: Shana Carter*



**PLAY ON.** *The jazz band continues the concert with their second piece of the night, "Latin Attitude," giving themselves relief as it helped release some of their last minute nerves. Photo Credit: Shana Carter*



**WHAT AN HONOR.** *Senior Robert Nishimwe meets Governor Kim Reynolds and Lieutenant Governor Adam Gregg along with Teacher of the Year Aileen Sullivan from Ames High School, who is not pictured.*



**DAY 97: MUSICAL TIME.** *It's the first rehearsal for the spring musical, School of Rock and choir teacher, Vanessa Brady is ready to rock it out with the cast.*