Dana receives official 'All-Steinway' designation

Bruce Stevens, president of Steinway & Sons Inc., will formally designate Youngstown State University's Dana School of Music as an All-Steinway School during a presentation noon Friday, Nov. 5 in the Bliss Recital Hall on the YSU campus.

"This brings the Dana School to the next level of prominence," said Michael Crist, Dana director. "It puts us in

the company of some of the finest music schools in the world."

Stevens also is scheduled to speak to YSU business students at 10 a.m. Nov. 5 in the Gallery of Kilcawley Center.

In July, 68 new Steinway pianos, valued at \$837,000, were delivered to the Dana School of Music, making YSU the first public university in Ohio to be designated an All-Steinway School.

That designation will be formalized with Stevens' presentation on Nov. 5.

The Cleveland Institute of Music and the Oberlin College Conservatory are the only other music schools in Ohio that exclusively use pianos manufactured by Steinway, a 150-year-old company endorsed by pianists worldwide.

In all, only 40 music schools worldwide are designated All-Steinway Schools, including The Juilliard School in

New York, Yale University School of Music and the University of Maryland.

The pianos have been placed in classrooms, practice rooms and faculty studios throughout Bliss Hall, which is home of the Dana School of Music. The instruments will be used by the 310 students and 41 faculty in the Dana School, which is celebrating its 135th year.