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2/23/2024

Dear HS Band parents and students,

It is nearly time for the concert band annual competition and performance at West Carrolton High School for the OMEA District Competition. **This event is mandatory and is our equal to a "state test."** This free performance event is open to the public! Parents, grandparents, friends, and other relatives are encouraged to attend and support your child at this performance. Many hours of practice and hard work have gone into this performance and we appreciate the support of friendly faces in the audience.

<u>Saturday, March 9 at 10:30am</u> will be our District Large Group Band Performance held in the West Carrolton High School auditorium. *A full schedule is on the back of this letter*. The group will have time for lunch in the cafeteria/concession after the performance, so bring cash if desired. All students must ride the bus both ways unless prior approval has been given. Call time is at 8:10am and return is approximately 12:45pm.

Parents: You are welcome to "chaperone" with us. Duties will be minimal and include the chance to spectate 2-3 performances. Email Mr. T if interested. Save your gas, ride with us.

Guest Clinic Rehearsal!

We will have a required rehearsal with a guest clinician after school on Thursday, February 29. We will begin at 6:30 and conclude at 8:30pm. This will be very beneficial to us as we prepare to perform for a Superior! Please make sure any work schedule is aware of this obligation.

IMPORTANT

There is to be absolutely NO photographs, video, or audio recording of any kind during our performances per OMEA Rules and Regulations. Our groups may be disqualified if this occurs.

DRESS CODE

Concert blacks: tuxedoes and black shoes for guys. Gowns and black footwear for gals. Keep heel height modest, nothing larger than 2" please.

Musically Yours,

Kevin Taylor

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Concert Band ITINERARY

District Band Contest Saturday March 9, 2024 **10:30am** West Carrolton High School



Itinerary & Dress Information

8:10 - Call time. Arrive in concert dress. There will be no time to change at West Carrolton. Prepare music and instrument – physically check to make sure you have your folder, mouthpiece, sticks, etc. Load trailer and/or bus.

8:25- attendance taken on bus

8:30 – leave for West Carrolton High School. Upon arrival at 9:15 we will check into our homeroom, use the restrooms, and work through non-playing group warm-ups in the homeroom. Do not mess with anything in the homeroom! Writing on boards, moving desks, etc.

9:55 - leave homeroom for the warm-up room

10:00 - official warm-up time until 10:25

10:30am - official performance time

*After stage performance the group will go into a closed sightreading session. Parents are welcome to stay in the auditorium and listen to other performances or visit the concessions area.

11:25 - back to homeroom to pack instruments, then await results in cafeteria.

~11:55 – load instruments & bus. We should arrive at home by approximately 12:45pm. Please share this information with your parents and invite them to attend our performance.

CONTEST PERFORMANCE ATTIRE

<u>LADIES</u>: concert gowns with black dress shoes. <u>GENTLEMEN</u>: concert tuxes, <u>black socks</u> and black dress shoes.

NO ATHLETIC SHOES OF ANY KIND!

REMINDER THAT NO CELL PHONE USE, PHOTOS, OR RECORDINGS ARE ALLOWED DURING OUR PERFORMANCE. ALL CELL PHONES MUST BE OFF. USE OF THESE DEVICES COULD RESULT IN OUR GROUP BEING **DISQUALIFIED**. THANK YOU!