

Dr. Joe Barry Mullins Concert Band Festival Friday, March 29, 2019

Thank you for your interest in the Dr. Joe Barry Mullins Concert Band Festival. This festival gives middle school bands and high school bands an opportunity to perform before a panel of judges and receive ratings in a setting similar to that of the high school bands that attend State Evaluation each year. The judges provide helpful comments that each director may use to help improve their band's playing ability. Awards are given to each band that receives superior ratings in their concert performance or their sight reading performance. This year's festival is to be held on Friday, April 6th at the Grenada High School Auditorium.

Be sure to complete registration, a program form, and seating chart online at www.grenadabands.com. You may register online at any time.

Registration and fee must be received by Friday, March 8.

Please submit program information and seating chart by Friday, March 22.

2019 Festival Judges are: Sid McNeil, Matt Rowan, Brian Pitts, and Ron Cox.

Costs to attend:

\$5 per student (# of students @ \$5 each = _____) \$35 Digital Recording Fee

Example: 30 students:

30 students @ \$5.00 = \$150.00 Fee + \$35.00 Recording Fee = \$185.00

**Please make out all checks to "Grenada High School Band"

Directors may choose to receive "ratings" or "comments only" in concert, sight-reading, or both. At the end of the festival, the ratings will be published online. However, any bands that choose to receive "comments only", will NOT have their results made public.

Directors should bring three (3) scores with them of all pieces that their band will be performing. Scores should have every measure numbered so that judges can quickly give specific comments.

The 5-10 minute clinic with the judges follows the performance in the auditorium. The clinic is designed to be a student-centered interaction from the judges to give the students advice on how to get better in the long run.

We will provide a hospitality room for judges and directors, which will be in the band hall. Feel free to stop by anytime during the day and grab a bite to eat!

At the end of your performance, each band will receive judging commentary as well as a professional recording of your performance via Drop Box.

All warm-up rooms and the auditorium stage will have electrical outlets and/or extension cords in case you need to plug up tuners, metronomes, keyboards, etc....

Every band will be assigned a guide that will stay with you from your arrival on our campus until you have completed your festival experience!

Bands that receive a superior rating in concert and/or sight-reading will receive individual student medals.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Musically yours,

Joe Presley, festival coordinator
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