

Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors' Association



District IV Band Festival

March 11, 12, 13, 2010

Great Bridge High School
Chesapeake, Virginia

Festival Host
Rob Carroll

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Adjudicators

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(Sightreading)

OBJECTIVE

Festivals provide the incentive for the development of musical understanding, skills, and taste through performances that are aimed at exhibiting each group at its most mature level. Festivals afford both students and directors with an opportunity to hear performances by other groups of their peers; they stimulate constant growth, and provide constructive criticisms from objective adjudicators.

RATING SYSTEM

A five rating plan will be used in adjudicating all bands:

Rating I – Superior A superior interpretation and performance, technically and musically, of all three selections. The performance demonstrates that the group is able to meet all of the technical demands of the music with precision and no aural evidence of strain: the musicality of the performance demonstrates an acute awareness of the composer's intent and desire. It is, to all appearances, free of technical errors and shows much attention to the music's expressive features.

Rating II – Excellent An excellent interpretation and performance of all three selections, or a superior performance of one selection and excellent of two. Technical demands are met with precision and the musical requirements are met with integrity in meeting the composer's intent, desires, and instructions. It is an authentic reading, marred by noticeable technical errors and intonation defects. The ensemble shows the results of sound fundamental training, but the performance lacks the polish and finesse necessary to qualify for a rating of superior.

Rating III – Good A good interpretation and performance of all three selections, technically and musically, or a combination of performances of the three selections which would justify an overall rating of "Good". The group is unable to execute all of the technical demands of the music with precision and accuracy and does not demonstrate an awareness of the musical demands required for an outstanding performance. The group may lack instrumentation essential to an authentic reading of the music, or it may lack consistency in strength in all of its sections. The general quality of the performance represents good preparation, attention to detail, and good musicianship; but the performance is marred by a large number of technical errors, obvious problems with intonation, rhythmic inaccuracies, and a lack of dynamic contrast.

Rating IV – Fair A performance which approximates the technical and musical requirements of the music but is seriously lacking in its rendition. The performance is consistently weak and filled with technical errors and intonation problems. The group has obvious weaknesses in the basic fundamentals of embouchure, tone production, rhythms, and articulations, and is not prepared to meet the technical or musical demands of the music.

Rating V – Poor A performance which is unacceptable technically or musically. It demonstrates a lack of technical proficiency and musical understanding. Careless and bad playing habits are prevalent, evidencing poor preparation and training. The group should be encouraged to concentrate on fundamentals and perform less difficult music.

Thursday, March 11

4:30 PM Grade IV	Great Bridge High School Ninth Grade Band Blazing Fury Northwest Suite Flourish for Winds Sight-read	Rob Carroll Shaffer O'Reilly Fagan
5:00 PM Grade II	Deep Creek Middle School Concert Band A Shaker March Edinburgh Castle Chesapeake Overture Sight-read	Lynn Hunt Kinyon Kinyon O'Reilly
5:20 PM Grade II	Hugo Owens Middle School Band March Cermonial Woodland Overture Dark Fortress Castle Hill Overutre	Marvin Swimpson Sheldon O'Reilly Grice McGinty
5:40 PM Grade II	Crestwood Middle School Concert Band Dover Patrol March Edinburgh Castle Hymn Trilogy Sight-read	Chris Dunn Wagner Kinyon Edmondson
6:00 PM Grade II	Hickory Middle School Concert Band Liberty Eagle March Bartok: Folk Trilogy Hurricane! Sight-read	J. Chenault & K.J. Stafford Oare arr. McGinty Fagan
6:30 PM Grade III	Great Bridge Middle School Symphonic Band Parade of the Jesters Irish Air and Dance Meeting at Tryon Palace Sight-read	M. Oare & M. Gerhardt Balmages arr. Story Saucedo
6:50 PM	JUDGES' BREAK	
8:00 PM Grade II	King's Fork Middle School Everybody Loves a March Portrait of a Clown Too Beautiful for Words El Nino	Victor Hugo Composers not submitted
8:20 PM Grade II	Churchland Middle School Marchus Maximus Ancient Spirits Declaration and Dance Sight-read	Sandie Davis Story Story Clark
8:40 PM Grade II	John F. Kennedy Middle School Concert Band Champions of Freedom The Crossings Royal Empire Overture Sight-read	Charles Hunter Composers not submitted

9:00 PM Grade III	Hickory High School Concert Band "A" Courage A Joyful Journey On the Edge of Tomorrow Sight-read	Matt Phillips Bennett / Clark Sheldon Sweeney
Friday, March 12		
4:30 PM Grade IV	Great Bridge High School Symphonic Band Our Heritage From These Ashes Cottonwood Canyon Rhapsody Sight-read	Rob Carroll King / Swearingen Elledge Kopetz
5:00 PM Grade II	Jolliff Middle School Jaguar Band March of the Majestics Jubilations! Forge of Vulcan Sight-read	Amanda Rossetini Sheldon Owens Sweeney
5:20 PM Grade II	Oscar Smith Middle School Concert Band Percussion on Parade Glorioso A Shaker Hymn Sight-read	Laura Paquette Kinyon R.W. Smith arr. O'Reilly
5:40 PM Grade II	Indian River Middle School Band March Ceremonial Gypsydance Declaration and Dance Sight-read	Glendon Parke Sheldon Holsinger Clark
6:00 PM Grade III	Western Branch Middle School Band Spitfire Concert March Triton Knights of Destiny Sight-read	Michael Carson Story McGinty Sweeney
6:20 PM Grade III	Greenbrier Middle School Concert Band Lexington March Ash Lawn Echoes Beach Spring Sight-read	Stephanie McRae Edmondson R.W. Smith arr. Wagner
6:50 PM Grade IV	Hickory Middle School Symphonic Band At Sight March Three Colonial Ballads Song and Dance Sight-read	J. Chenault & K.J. Stafford Bennett / Clark Curnow Saucedo
7:20 PM	JUDGES' BREAK	
8:15 PM Grade III	Grassfield High School Ninth Grade Band Spania Rain Rhythm Danse Sight-read	Zach Rooksby Shaffer Balmages Saucedo

8:45 PM
Grade IV
Hickory High School Concert Band "B"
Amparito Roca
Cotton Ferry Expedition
Flourish for Winds
Sight-read
David Enloe
Texidor / Fagan
Ford
Fagan

9:15 PM
Grade V
Oscar Smith High School Symphonic Band
Bandalier
Overture to Nabucco
Exultate
Sight-read
Jack Elgin
Osterling
Verdi / Cailliet
Hazo

Saturday, March 13

9:30 AM
Grade IV
Western Branch High School Concert Band
Gateway March
A Percy Grainger Suite
Of Pride and Celebration
Sight-read
Crystal Cox
Osterling
arr. Erickson
Swearingen

10:00 AM
Grade IV
Indian River High School Symphonic Band
Torch of Liberty
Covington Square
The Last to Defend
Sight-read
Dan Miner
Composers not submitted

10:30 AM
Grade IV
Lakeland High School Concert Band
Program not submitted
Alvin Wilson

11:00 AM
Grade IV
King's Fork High School Symphonic Band
Symbol of Honor
Novena
Tis a Gift
Sight-read
Jason Taylor
Mesang / Hilliard
Swearingen
McGinty

11:30 AM
Grade IV
Deep Creek High School Concert Band
Patton
Gettysburg: The Third Day
Incantations
Sight-read
Debbie Beck-Hallenbeck
Goldsmith / Ford
Dawson
R.W. Smith

12:00 PM
Grade IV
Grassfield High School Concert Band
The Chimes of Liberty
Ghost Fleet
Suite for Band
Sight-read
Zach Rooksby
Goldman / Custer
Sheldon
Oare

12:30 PM
JUDGES' BREAK

1:30 PM
Grade V
I.C. Norcom High School Symphonic Band
Washington Post March
Masque
Variations on an African Hymnsong
Sight-read
Anthony Washington
Sousa / Brion-Schissel
McBeth
Hilliard

2:10 PM Grade V	Churchland High School Symphonic Band Amparito Roca A Longford Legend At Dawn They Slept Sight-read	Jeff Warren Texidor Sheldon Bocook
2:50 PM Grade V	Hickory High School Symphonic Band Torch of Liberty Chant and Jubilo American Barndance Sight-read	Matt Phillips King / Swearingen McBeth Saucedo
3:30 PM Grade V	Western Branch High School Symphonic Band Mt. Healthy March A Longford Legend At Dawn They Slept Sight-read	Crystal Cox Fillmore / Shaffer Sheldon Bocook
4:10 PM	JUDGES' BREAK	
4:30 PM Grade VI	Grassfield High School Symphonic Band Espana Cani A Movement for Rosa Vesuvius Sight-read	Zach Rooksby Marquina / Longfield Camphouse Ticheli
5:15 PM Grade VI	Hickory High School Wind Ensemble Entry March of the Boyars Suite Dreams Danza Final from Estancia Sight-read	David Enloe Halvorsen / Fennell Bryant Ginastera / John
6:00 PM Grade VI	Great Bridge High School Honors Band Manhattan Beach March William Byrd Suite Peterloo Overture Sight-read	Rob Carroll Sousa Jacob Arnold
6:45 PM Grade II	W.E. Waters Middle School Concert Band Atlantis High Falls Overture Primordium Sight-read	Ricardo Brown Composers not submitted
7:10 PM Grade I	Cradock Middle School Beginning Band Regal March Salute to America Air and Allegro Apollo Overture	Kristina Murray Pearson arr. Kinyon Edmondson Balent