

Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors Association Southeastern Senior Regional Orchestra

September 24, 2011

Dear Regional Band and Orchestra Directors,

The 2011 Senior Regional Orchestra event will be held at Western Branch High School in Chesapeake on December 2 and 3, 2011. Martin Glasco is the Event Host and I; John S. Husser III will be the Event Chairman. Included in this packet are several dated forms that need to be returned. **Please observe the "IN MY HAND" deadline of Friday, November 4th. In the event that your information is late, please include a late fee of \$50.00.** If you know you are going to be late please contact me. I will begin notifying alternates on November 5th.

The following information is on the website:

1. *Orchestra Repertoire List*
2. *Schedule*
3. *Things to Remember*
4. *Symphony Orchestra Summary Sheet*
5. *Chamber Orchestra Summary Sheet*
6. *Preparatory Orchestra*
7. *Director's Financial Form*
8. *Student Application Form*

It is important that each Director take time to teach each Regional Orchestra selection prior to the event. **Students should come prepared with all passages learned to allow the Conductor the chance to put together a truly inspirational performance.**

According to the VBODA Event Manual, all students must be present for all rehearsals in their entirety...**NO EXCEPTIONS.** Students who arrive late may lose their seat. Also, all Directors must be present for the entire event. A qualified music substitute must be provided for any Director who is not present.

A teacher duty roster will be distributed at the event. I am looking forward to seeing each of you at the event. I hope that you are having a smooth start to the school year! Please contact me with any questions you have. I can be reached via email at: John.Husser@cpschools.com or cell phone at 757-434-0485.

Sincerely,

John S. Husser III, Chairman
757-434-0485 (Cell)

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Things to Remember

Please review the following list with participating students to avoid any miscommunications at the event.

1. All students must participate in all rehearsals in their entirety. There will be **NO EXCEPTIONS** made to this rule. Please explain to each student the importance of promptness. Any student or group of students who are late may lose their auditioned seat or possibly risk being removed completely from the orchestra.
2. Students will not be allowed to leave the campus of Western Branch High School during the event. The possession of any tobacco or alcohol on the campus is strictly prohibited. Any violator will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
3. Students & Directors will need to provide their own lunch on both days of the event.
4. All Students should come to rehearsal with all parts learned and a pencil for additional markings. Any student in a leadership position should have any and all solo parts learned.
5. Name tags will be provided for all Participants. Each Student and Teacher will be expected to properly display name tags at all times. Your name tag will be required for you to receive a lunch on Saturday.
6. **Each school that has a participant in the Symphony Orchestra will be given 1 copy of the music. Directors will be responsible for making copies for each student. Each Director will be responsible for providing the Chamber and Preparatory Orchestra selections to each Participant.**
7. The Dress Code for Chesapeake Public Schools will be enforced at the Event.
8. Students should wear their school's concert outfit to the performance on December 3rd. If the school does not have an established concert outfit, the student should wear:
Ladies: All-Black long dress & black shoes. NO Sleeveless tops.
Gentlemen: Black Tuxedo, black shoes and socks.
Any Student dressed inappropriately may be moved to the back of the orchestra for the concert.
9. Food, Drink, and Gum are strictly prohibited during the rehearsals.
10. Only students who participate in Symphony Orchestra throughout the entire event, ***including the concert*** will be allowed to audition for All-Virginia Orchestra. Students participating in the Chamber and Preparatory Orchestra are ineligible to audition for All-Virginia Orchestra.
11. Any decisions regarding participation and standing will be made by the Chairman and will be final.
12. **Students will be seated according to their re-audition score. Seating auditions will take place on Friday, December 2nd. Please see the repertoire list for more information.**

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Directions to Western Branch High School

For directions to Western Branch High School, please go to Mapquest.com or Google Maps.

School Address:

Western Branch High School
1968 Bruin Place
Chesapeake, VA 23321
(757) 638-7900

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2011 Repertoire List

Symphony Orchestra

James Glazebrook
Virginia Tech

Danzon No. 2
Pique Dame Overture
Uranus from "The Planets"

Arturo Marquez
Franz von Suppe
Gustav Holst

Chamber Orchestra

Allison Bailey
Thomas Jefferson High School

Brandenburg No. 3
Divertimento K136
Spring from the Seasons
Simple Symphony "Sentimental Sarabande"

J. S. Bach
W.A. Mozart
A. Vivaldi
B. Britten

Preparatory Orchestra

Mike Trowbridge

Driften
Folk Tune and Fiddle Dance
Sanseneon
Halcyon
Circinus

Atwell
Fletcher
Frost
Hofeldt
Atwell

Directors are responsible for supplying the Chamber and Preparatory Orchestra music to their students. Please pass out the music as soon as you can so that students may prepare their part for the event.

The re-audition excerpt information will be posted two weeks prior to the event. Until then, practice EVERYTHING! The re-audition excerpt may come from any of the above three selections.