

**Virginia Music Educators Association  
Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors Association  
2nd Annual Southeastern Junior District Orchestra**

November 9, 2009

Dear Directors,

The 2010 Southeastern Junior District Orchestra will be held at Greenbrier Middle School in Chesapeake, Virginia on January 15th & 16th. On Friday, January 15th, registration will begin at 12:00 noon. Seating and tuning begins at 12:10 p.m. Rehearsals will start promptly at 12:30 p.m. Dismissal will be at 5:30 p.m. on Friday. On Saturday, seating and tuning will begin at 9:30 a.m. with rehearsal starting at 10:00 a.m. The Junior District Orchestra Concert will be at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday.

Please visit the VBODA District IV website at <http://www.vboda4.org/index.html> to download this year's Jr. District Orchestra information. If you have any problems downloading the forms please contact one of us and we will send you a copy. Please make sure you download the following forms:

1. Student registration form
2. Student/Parent letter
3. Director's financial form (please fill one out for each school)
4. Schedules for January 15-16, 2010
5. Seventh and Eighth Grade Orchestra Repertoire

All forms must be postmarked on or before **Wednesday, December 14, 2009**. Please send one school or booster club check, made payable to **Hugo Owens Middle School** to cover the student registration fees for your school (no cash or personal checks). Please send the following forms, in the enclosed envelope: your school check, director's financial form, copy of your MENC card or the non-member fee (\$105.00), and the individual student registration forms.

All directors need to secure music for each student participant. Please be sure to make arrangements for the music immediately. Guest Conductors are not hired to teach the music. It is the teacher's responsibility to prepare and rehearse the music with their students before the event. When the students come with their music prepared, the guest conductors have the opportunity to perfect and polish the ensemble's performance.

As a reminder to all directors according to VBODA rules, you must be present during the entire district event. Please follow the guidelines in the VBODA manual if you are personally not able to attend all of the rehearsals and the concert. The teacher duty list will be distributed at registration and everyone's help will be needed. If you have a preference as to which orchestra you would like to assist please let us know in your returning packet.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact one of us by phone or email. We look forward to seeing everyone in January.

Sincerely,

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