

Congratulations on being selected to participate in the 2015 FayWest Honors Band Festival! This year the festival will take place on **Friday, March 20, 2015 at Southmoreland High School**. A schedule is included for student information. The *concert will occur at 7pm* (doors will open at 6:30pm) and *admission is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students and senior citizens*. Concert parking is on the back of building and handicapped parking is on the side near the band room entrance. Student concert attire is school uniform. Students will receive a medal for successful participation. Lunch, dinner and snacks are provided the day of the festival for all students.

MUSIC IN FOLDER

In your folder, you will find, 8 selections of music. Including:

- * *Chorale*, arr. Surovchak.
- * *Star Spangled Banner*, arr. Stamp (Mrs. Gore, Southmoreland)
- * *Danserye*, Susato (Mr. Surovchak, Belle Vernon)
- * *Into the Clouds*, Saucedo (Mr. Green, Yough)
- * *Everest: A Forbidden Journey* (Mr. Collins, Mt. Pleasant)
- * *With Quiet Courage*, Daehn (Mr. Martin, Connellsville)
- * *Ascend*, Hazo (Mr. Santore, Laurel Highlands)
- * *Hunger Games*, arr. Bocook (Mr. Ratai, Frazier)
- * *Urban Dances*, Morales (Mr. Gore, Guest Conductor)-Tentative

PREPARATION/EXPECTATION

Please make sure you have all pieces of music and immediately notify your director if anything is missing. This is your responsibility. Students are also expected to prepare the music prior to attending the festival. There are many great resources online for recording references. To make it easier to find quality recordings, you can reference the FayWest Honors Band Facebook page or www.southmorelandband.net/faywest. This is a one day honors festival and you have been selected by your director to represent your school. Please spend adequate time preparing so that the ensemble is the best that it has been to date!

ATTENDANCE/POLICIES

You are required to attend the *entire* day of the festival and the evening concert. You will meet at your school on Friday, March 20th and be transported to SHS. Students are **not** permitted to drive to SHS. After the festival, students are responsible for their own transportation. In addition, students must register *all* medications with the nurse at the festival and must be in original packaging. Students are *not allowed* to carry any medications. *If* you have a doctor slip that allows you to keep specific meds (i.e. Epi pen or Inhaler), you must provide a copy of the doctor's note. All medical forms must be filled out completely with current information. Medical forms and school payment must be to SHS by Friday, March 6, 2015.

WEATHER

In the event of dangerous weather conditions, please check the FayWest Honors Band 2015 Facebook page or www.southmorelandband.net/faywest for updated festival information. Please make sure your director has a means of contacting you, if needed. If Southmoreland School District is delayed, the festival will follow the delayed start time (see schedule on back).

We are excited to host this festival and look forward to a great day of music making with you and your directors! Please prepare your music so that we can have an outstanding experience and performance with the 2015 FayWest Honors Band!

Musically yours,
Jamie Gore

SHS Director of Bands & 2015 FayWest Honors Band Host

Friday, March 20, 2015
Tentative Festival Schedule

8:00-8:30am	Registration outside of SHS Auditorium (drop-off at back entrance)
8:45am	Seating of Ensemble
9:00am	Warm-up
9:10am	Rehearsal #1
9:55am	Rehearsal #2
10:40am	Break/Snack Provided (Lobby)
10:55am	Rehearsal #3
11:40am	Rehearsal #4
12:25pm	Rehearsal #5
1:10pm	Lunch (cafeteria)
1:55pm	Rehearsal #6 Star Spangled Banner/Chorale
2:30pm	Rehearsal #7
3:15pm	Break/Snack Provided (Lobby)
3:35pm	Concert Run-Through
5:00pm	Banquet
6:00pm	Students Change into Band Uniforms (locker rooms)
6:20pm	Student Photo
6:30pm	Doors Open for Concert
6:45pm	Ensemble seated onstage/tuning
7:00pm	Concert (students ride home with family)

Tentative Festival 2 Hour Delay Schedule
Friday, March 20, 2015

10-10:30am	Registration outside of SHS Auditorium (drop-off at back entrance)
10:45am	Seating of Ensemble
11:00am	Warm-up
11:10am	Rehearsal #1
11:45am	Rehearsal #2
12:20am	Rehearsal #3
1:00pm	Lunch (cafeteria)
1:45pm	Rehearsal #4 Star Spangled Banner
2:10pm	Rehearsal #5
2:45pm	Rehearsal #6
3:20pm	Rehearsal #7
3:55pm	Break/Snack Provided (Lobby)
4:05pm	Concert Run-Through
5:10pm	Banquet
6:00pm	Students Change into Band Uniforms (locker rooms)
6:20pm	Student Photo
6:30pm	Doors Open for Concert
6:45pm	Ensemble seated onstage/tuning
7:00pm	Concert (students ride home with family)

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