

Good afternoon!

Below you will find important information for the band students about after school rehearsals, recruitment event at PCM, pre-lgpe concert and LGPE. Concert uniforms have been ordered- more info when they are delivered.

Important Dates:

This Week:

Monday, February 24th- Guest Clinician Visit during school

Wednesday, February 26th- Guest instructor for Low Brass students during school

Thursday, February 27th – Peachtree Charter Middle School’s Pre-LGPE Concert/ Recruitment

Next Week:

Tuesday, March 3rd – Guest Instructor for Clarinet students during school

Wednesday, March 4th @ 3:30-5:30, After School LGPE Rehearsal *Mandatory

Thursday and Friday, March 5th and 6th – All Sate (Congratulations, Jennifer & Langley!)

Following Weeks:

Tuesday, March 10th @ 7:00, DHS Theater – Pre-LGPE Concert *Mandatory

Wednesday, March 11th @ 3:30-5:30, After School Rehearsal *Mandatory

Thursday, March 19th @ 7pm @ Southwest Dekalb High School LGPE Concert* Mandatory

Peachtree Charter Middle School Pre-LGPE / Recruitment Night

I am asking for any student volunteers to attend PCM’s pre-lgpe event this Thursday night. I will be attending and speaking with parents about joining band in high school and would love some students to join me to speak with middle school students after the concert. I could use some parent volunteers to help set up a table and be available to speak with interested parents as well. Email me with any questions! I will give extra credit to those students who help with this recruitment effort. It is not mandatory, but strongly encouraged. Wear your red Dunwoody band shirt!

Pre-LGPE Concert

Students will be performing their Large Group Performance Evaluation concert for family and friends at Dunwoody High School. This will be a practice before our actual LGPE concert the following week. We will be going through a mock- lgpe event to help students understand the process and allow feedback from other band directors who will be attending and providing comments for us to work on at our after school rehearsal the next day.

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LGPE (Large Group Performance Evaluation)

LGPE is a state wide evaluation that all traditional band programs participate in. It is an event where bands perform a selection of pieces for judges and will be provided with feedback for how the program can continue to grow and develop. There are various ratings assigned to the bands after their performance. (Superior, Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor).

Our LGPE will be held at Southwest Dekalb High School and I am strongly encouraging all parents to attend this event! The more support and bodies we have in the audience, the better the students will perform. I could also use some chaperones to ride the bus for that event as well.

We will be taking school buses to the event and students will be staying after school. We will be leaving school around 4pm. More information will be given soon!

For any students who are not prepared on the music by concert time, will be asked to complete an alternative assignment to make up the grades.

Students are expected to practice at least 20 minutes every day from this point forward. Students, think about how long you spend on your other homework assignments for your ap classes... I ask that you do your band “homework” by practicing every day. Individual practice is the key for our large group success. Parents, please help encourage your child to practice at home every week—yes they have “homework” in band!!

Please note that all concerts and after school rehearsals are mandatory. Students will be evaluated and given an assessment grade for these events. There will be no alternative assignments given to any students who skip any event(s) without communication to Ms.Caputo.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Ms. Caputo