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San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools



San Bernardino County
Music Educators Association

To: High School Band Directors and Students in the High Desert
From: Raymond Moreno, SBCMEA High School Honor Band Representative
Re: High Desert Honor Band

On behalf of the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools and the San Bernardino County Music Educators Association, it is my pleasure to announce that the High School High Desert Honor Band concert will take place on Saturday, February 11, 2017 in the Performing Arts Center located at Oak Hills High School. I am excited to announce that for 2017, the students selected for the All County High School Honor Band will have the pleasure of working with Dr. Donovan Gray, an esteemed instrumental music educator from California State University, San Bernardino. Dr. Gray has served as a conductor, clinician, and adjudicator throughout the United States and Asia.

The HS Honor Band is open to 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students of piccolo, flute, oboe, bassoon, saxophone, horn, trumpet, trombone, euphonium/baritone, tuba, and percussion by audition. **Students MUST be members of their school's band class/program if one is available.**

Auditions: January 14th- 8am to 4:00pm at Oak Hills High School. Students will be assigned a 10-15 minute audition time sometime in the time frame.

Rehearsals: All at Oak Hills High School
Thursday February 9th 5:00pm-8:00pm
Friday February 10th 8:00am-4:00pm
Saturday February 11th 8:30am-11:00am

Concert: Saturday February 11th.

6:00pm Call Time
7:00pm Start Time
9:00pm anticipated end time
Location: Oak Hills High School Performing Arts Center

Directors, please email me the "List of Names" form located at the end of this letter: Please make sure to include all information. Student fees are \$7 per student and must be submitted **ONE CHECK PER SCHOOL. DO NOT SEND CASH!** Schools that do not submit payment in a timely manner will have their students become ineligible for this year's honor band. "No Show" audition students will not be refunded.

Director email list and the \$7.00 fee PER STUDENT is due Friday, December 2nd 2016. **One check per school site: checks can be made out to "SBCMEA"**. Do not send cash. Please send fees using US Mail or District Mail To:

Raymond Moreno
7625 Cataba Road
Oak Hills, CA 92344

I wish the best to you and your students. Students if you have any questions please refer to your director.. Directors if you have questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,
Raymond Moreno



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Audition Guidelines:

The audition will consist of three parts: 1) Scales 2) Excerpts 3) Sight Reading

1) Major Scales: Two major scales chosen by the judge, from Concert G, C, F, Bb, Eb, Ab, Db (quarter notes at a tempo of 110-120) Two octaves when possible. If you can't play the scale two octaves play it one octave but make it should great!

2) Chromatic Scale: Perform a chromatic scale with the full range of the instrument that you are comfortable playing.

3 Excerpts: Will be posted on-line at SBCMEA.org and emailed to your director (Click "Honor Band" then "High School")

4) Sight Reading: Will be presented to you by the adjudicator at the time of your audition

Rehearsal Policy:

If you are selected for the High School Honor Band, you MUST attend all rehearsals and stay for the entire rehearsal, which means you cannot arrive late or leave early. Please do not audition if you already know that you cannot attend a rehearsal, or will need to leave a rehearsal early or arrive to a rehearsal late. To protect the quality of the group, and keep it fair to those who have made a commitment to the rehearsal schedule, there will be NO exceptions to this rehearsal policy. If you cannot make the full duration of every rehearsal and the performance please do not audition.

2017 High School Honor Band schedule:

December 2, 2016 -Deadline for directors to submit names and payment for auditioning students

December 2016 -Excerpts posted online at SBCMEA.org and emailed to directors

January 14, 2017 -Auditions at Oak Hills High School in Hesperia (audition times and music will be posted online AND emailed to your director)

January 15-17, 2017 -Honor Band acceptance list posted on-line at SBCMEA.org -Concert music sent to directors

February 9, 2017 5pm-8pm Rehearsal at Oak Hills High School

February 10, 2017 8am-4pm Rehearsal at Oak Hills High School. Bring a sack lunch or money for a pizza lunch.

February 11, 2017 -Dress Rehearsal 8:30am to 11:00am at Oak Hills High School Performing Arts Center

February 11, 2017 -Performance at Oak Hills High School Performing Arts Center
6:00pm Call Time. 7:00pm Concert Starts



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High Desert Honor Band Score Sheet

This is what the judges will use to judge the auditions

Major Scale 1

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

Major Scale 2

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

Chromatic Scale

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Excepts

Tone Quality 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Intonation 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Rhythm 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Dynamics 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Phrasing 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Sight-Reading

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Score _____



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List of Names

Directors please fill out the this page and mail it to **Raymond Moreno 7625 Cataba Road, Oak Hills, CA 92344**

List and check due by Friday December 2nd 2016.

Director Name	
Director Phone	
Director Email	
School Name	

Student Name	Grade	Instrument	Email	Phone Number

Total Number of Students Auditioning _____
 Total Amount Enclosed (\$7 per students. _____
 Checks made out to SBCMEA)