You Are Invited!

Mars Hill University High School Honor Band

For: Your most talented and dedicated musicians

When: January 24th and 25th, 2025

Where: Mars Hill University's Moore Fine Arts Building

What to Do: Directors should select as many as 15 students from various sections in your band and submit them for consideration via the Google Form QR Code provided:

Remember:

Not all students can be accepted, so tell them after they have been accepted.

• We will accept students in a manner that will create a well-balanced instrumentation.

• The purpose of this ensemble is to rehearse and perform examples of the best literature for high school bands and to allow your top students to meet and work with their peers from other high schools.

- This is not a senior honor band but a selection of your most deserving students regardless of grade level.
- The applications will then be evaluated and ranked based on the information provided by the students.
- MHU High School Honor Band members will be selected according to the rankings based on the desired instrumentation for the band.
- Once the members have been selected, directors will be contacted regarding payment for the registration fees.
- It is very important that students check their calendars before submitting an application form. If any potential conflicts exist, the student should not submit an application.
- You can correspond and submit most information via email to justin womack@mhu.edu.
- The participation fee is \$50 per student which includes a t-shirt and Saturday lunch and drinks.
- Submissions will be due by Friday, December 6th at 5:00pm.
- We will notify you of student selection by December 13th
- Fees will be due at check in or before.

There will be an event on Saturday TBA *for directors*, so plan on attending with your students!

If you have other questions or concerns, please contact Dr. J.T. Womack at justin womack@mhu.edu.





MHU Honor Band Schedule

FRIDAY, JAI	NU.	ARY	24
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4:30 – 5:15 PM	Registration/Check-in	MOORE FINE ARTS BUILDING
5:30 – 6:45 PM	Rehearsal	BLUE BAND - AUDITORIUM
		GOLD BAND - CHAPEL
7:00 – 7:45 PM	Guest Performance	AUDITORIUM
8:00 – 9:30 PM	Rehearsal	BLUE BAND – AUDITORIUM
		GOLD BAND - CHAPEL

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

4:30 PM	Concert	AUDITORIUM
		BLUE BAND - DOWNSTAIRS
4:00 – 4:30 PM	Warm-up	GOLD BAND - AUDITORIUM
3:00 – 4:00 PM	Break to change, etc.	
		GOLD BAND - AUDITORIUM
1:30 – 3:00 PM	Rehearsal	BLUE BAND – CHAPEL
12:15 – 1:15 PM	Lunch	PITTMAN DINING HALL
10:00 – 11:00 AM	Sectionals	GOLD BAND
9:00 – 10:00 AM	Sectionals	BLUE BAND
		GOLD BAND - CHAPEL
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Rehearsal	BLUE BAND – AUDITORIUM
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MHU Honor Band FAQs

What is the registration fee?

\$50 for selected students

What grades are eligible?

9-12

Is housing provided?

No. Students are responsible for their own housing and transportation – accompanied by their parent/guardian, chaperone, or band director.

Will selected students be eligible for admission and scholarship consideration at MHU?

Yes! Students will have the opportunity to have sectionals with MHU faculty. Interested and eligible students will be considered for scholarship and admission offers.

Are directors required to attend?

No. This event is designed to be flexible in terms of student supervision. Directors are welcome to attend and hang out, but not required. Students do need some sort of supervision (and transportation), however, whether that be parents/guardian, school-designated chaperone, etc

Can students nominate themselves?

No. Only directors can nominate students. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions about the nomination process or criteria. We want the event to be worthwhile, fun, educational, and a high-level artistic experience for all participants. We seek nominations of high achieving students that will positively contribute to this honors event.

What activities are there to do on campus and in the area?

We will provide a list of activities, local attractions, and lodging/meals options and rates once the band is selected. Much more information to come!

Students will have opportunities to interact with our students and faculty.

Any other questions? Please reach out! Happy to help you and your students have a great experience here at MHU!

justin womack@mhu.edu or call my office at 828-689-1210.