

General Notes Online!

A Publication of the Wooster High School Music Department

Orchestra Prepares For State Event

On March 7 or 8 the Wooster High School Orchestra will travel to Port Clinton High School to participate in the Ohio Music Education Association State Orchestra Adjudicated Event.

String students are currently preparing for the event during their 1st period Orchestra class. They will perform three selections for three judges and also sight-read a piece of music for a third judge. A rating is given to supply the final rating. The orchestra however, the other two pieces will be for cussion. Wind and percussion players and rehearse with the strings at before event day.



judges and also sight-read a piece of by each adjudicator which goes together will play one piece for string orchestra, full orchestra – including winds and per- are selected from the Symphonic Band and after-school practices prior to the

We wish the very best to the Orchestra for a fine performance. The High School Orchestra will present a concert prior to the event in the WHS Performing Arts Center on Thursday, March 6 with the Edgewood Orchestra. Please try to attend.



*Look for us on the
World Wide Web!*

WHS Is Again Adjudicated Event Site

For Third Year, School Prepares For Thousands At Two-Day Event

On Friday and Saturday, March 21 & 22, Wooster High School will host the Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) District 6 Band & Chorus Adjudicated Event. An estimated 3000 students will take part in the two-day event.

You may be familiar with the term OMEA Band and Chorus “Contest”, however, the term was dropped a few years ago in favor of “Adjudicated Events”, a label designed to emphasize the non-competitive spirit of the festival. The structure of the event did not change with the change in name. Termed “Contest” since its inception, the event has evolved into a performance festival where bands do not compete *against* one another, rather they are judged by a panel of experts and are held up against an accepted standard of excellence. Bands and Choirs who are judged “Superior” are eligible to participate in OMEA’s State Band & Chorus Adjudicated Event.

The layout of Wooster High School is ideal for the large numbers of performers that will inhabit our halls and performance stages. Almost the entire school will be utilized immediately following school on Friday until late in the evening and all day on Saturday.

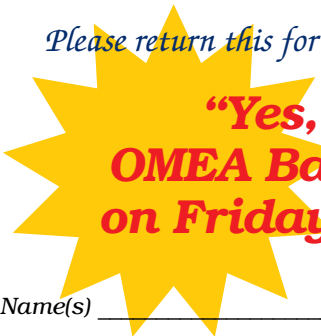
In addition to the chance to show what gracious hosts we can be, we will also reap the benefit of profits for our Music Department from concessions throughout the event. The Music Parents Association voted to extend all profits from concessions sales to the choral music department for the purchase of choir robes.

And, of course, our bands and choir will be participating, and we hope that a large audience will be on hand for all our performances. The Concert Choir will sing in class “B”, the Freshman Band will play in class “C”, the Concert Band in class “B”, and the Symphonic Band in class “AA”. This is also an excellent opportunity for music lovers to stop in throughout the two-day event and listen to fine musicians from schools in our area and surrounding counties.

Parents and students will be asked to volunteer their time for the successful operation of this event. If you are contacted, please consider making an effort to contribute to this worthwhile educational experience. Hosting an OMEA sanctioned event is a large undertaking with much responsibility. Your help is needed to make it a success.

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Please return this form with your son or daughter to the Music Office. Thank You!



**“Yes, I would like to help at the
OMEA Band & Choir Adjudicated Event
on Friday or Saturday March 21 or 22!”**

Name(s) _____

Phone Number _____



Fruit Pick-Up

All orders from the Music Department Citrus Sale must be picked up at Buehlers Warehouse on Old Mansfield Road on one of these two nights:

**Feb. 19 or 20
4:00-8:00 PM**

Wooster To Host Concert Band Festival

The Concert Band Festival, hosted by Doug Bennett and the Wooster High School Concert Band is set for Tuesday, February 25 at 6:30 PM.

Buckeye High School Wind Ensemble, Fairless High School Wind Ensemble, and the Wooster High School Freshman Band will join Wooster's Concert Band in receiving comments from four guest adjudicators: Doctor Deborah Burris of Baldwin Wallace, Nancy Ditmer of the College of Wooster, Bill Rasey of Frank Ohl Middle School in Austintown, and Mike Golemo of the University of Akron.

The event will serve as a warm-up to the OMEA district Adjudicated event in March. It is free and open to the public.

OMEA Solo & Ensemble Event

The Ohio Music Education Association Solo & Ensemble Adjudicated Event will be held this year at Northwestern High School on Saturday, February 15. Many of our band, orchestra, and chorus students will be participating.

Students may participate in several ways. They may prepare a solo on their instrument or voice, or they may participate in any number of ensembles – from duets to choirs of instruments or voices – all for critique and a rating.

The music department feels strongly that this is a very valuable learning experience for any music student, and we encourage every student to participate. The technical and musical gains from this activity are unmatched.

We wish the very best to all performing, and we strongly encourage everyone to stop by Northwestern High School and be an audience for these fine student musicians.



**Pancake
Breakfast**

February 22
8:30 AM ~ 2:00 PM

WHS Commons

Take Note

Here's what's happening in the Wooster High School Music Department

February 15	All Day	Solo & Ensemble at Northwestern H.S.
February 19, 20	See above	Citrus Sale Order Pick-Up
February 21-23	7:30 (2:00 Sun.)	Production of "Brigadoon"
February 22	8:30-2:00 PM	Music Parents Pancake Breakfast
February 25	6:30 PM	Concert Band Festival
March 6	7:30 PM	WHS/Edgewood Orchestra Concert
March 7 or 8	TBA	OMEA State Orchestra Adjudicated Event
March 11	7:30 PM	WHS Symphonic Band In Concert
March 18	7:30 PM	WHS/Edgewood Chorus Concert
March 21, 22	All Day	WHS Hosts OMEA District Bands & Choirs

We hope that you'll find the time in your busy schedule to help support music in the Wooster City Schools by attending as many of these events as possible. For more information concerning any of the above events, please call the High School Music Office at 216-345-8602.



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Thank you for your continued support of music education in our schools!