

Dear District 12 Students,

We hope you are having a fantastic school year and are looking forward to another successful year of OMEA events! Centerville High School is preparing to host the District 12 High School Honor Bands this year. We are very excited to announce that **Dr. David Booth, Director of Bands from Wright State University** will be directing the top Wind Ensemble and **Mr. Matthew Spradlin, Director of Bands from Wilmington High School** will be directing the Symphonic Band. Please see the schedule of events below:

Saturday, January 17th

9:00am-3:00pm – Auditions

Audition music is available on the District 12 website (<http://d12.omea-ohio.org/>) or from your band director. The audition will consist of:

- One scale up to 4 sharps or 4 flats, plus a chromatic scale
- Rudiments – *percussion students only*. To be selected from the following:
(long roll, 5-stroke roll, 7-stroke roll, single paradiddle, double paradiddle, flam, flam tap, single drag, buzz roll pp<ff>pp)
- Two prepared etudes
- A short sightreading excerpt

Please return the Audition Request Form to your band director by **December 19th** so that we can try to meet your time requests. **The fee to participate in the District Honor Band is \$35.** That fee will be due by the first rehearsal (February 13th) if you are selected into one of the bands.

Friday, February 13th

6:00pm-9:00pm – First Rehearsal

This “read-through” rehearsal will be the first time putting the ensembles together. Once you find out your band placement, you should begin preparing your music so that you are ready for the weekend. Music will be sent out to your high school director by Monday, February 2nd.

Saturday, February 14th

9:00am-5:00pm – Rehearsal

We will split the day into two rehearsal blocks. Lunch will be provided here at CHS.

Sunday, February 15th

12:00pm-3:00pm – Rehearsal

4:00pm - Concert in the Centerville High School Performing Arts Center

We strongly encourage you to consider auditioning! This is a great learning experience, and will hopefully lead to many other musical opportunities. It is also a great way to meet students from other schools who share your love for band and for music in general. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Mr. Baker and Mr. Barrometti
Centerville High School
District 12 Honor Band Co-Chairs

