The Wright State University School of Music is proud to announce our 1st Annual Honor Band Festival & Director Workshops! We are excited to welcome you to our campus for two full days of music making and collaboration! The Festival will be held Thursday, February 20 through Saturday, February 22, 2020.

**STUDENT NOMINATION PROCESS**

- The application for each school to nominate up to 10 of their best students (10 High School + 10 Middle School) is located online at: https://liberal-arts.wright.edu/music/wright-state-university-honor-band-festival
- Deadline to submit nominations is **Tuesday, December 10, 2019.**
- We will make every effort to be sure that at least one student from your nomination list will be accepted so that ALL schools who submit a form will have representation at the Honor Band Festival.
- Students and their respective directors will be notified by **Monday, December 22, 2019** as to their acceptance to one of the Honor Bands.

**LOCATION**

- All ensembles will rehearse in the Creative Arts Center at Wright State University in Room 190 (Band Room) and Schuster Hall.

**HONOR BAND CONCERTS**

- All ensembles will perform their final concert on Saturday, February 22 in Schuster Hall at Wright State.
  - **Middle School** Honor Band Performance is at 12:00 Noon
  - **High School** Honor Band Performance is at 2:00 PM
- There is no admission required for the performance, but donations are always welcome!

**MUSIC PREPARATION**

- Music parts will be posted on the WSU School of Music website and only accessible to student musicians via a password protected login. This information will also be sent to Directors.
- All parts will be posted at least 2 weeks in advance of the Festival. Directors, please help coach your students in preparing their repertoire before attending the Festival.

**HONOR BAND STUDENT FEES**

- The Festival will be comprised of two Honor Bands: 1) High School, and 2) Middle School
- The fee for each participant is $50.00. Payment must be received by Thursday, February 6, 2020. Alternate students may be selected to replace students who have not paid by this date. All fees are non-refundable, even in the event of inclement weather.
DIRECTOR WORKSHOPS

- A Professional Development component for Directors will be offered throughout the festival. This will include workshops presented by guest conductors, WSU Music Faculty, and time available to observe band rehearsals.
- A letter will be distributed to any director wishing to document professional development hours.

AUDITION TO WSU SCHOOL OF MUSIC

- Students graduating high school in 2020 will have the opportunity to audition on-site for acceptance into the Music Education or Music Performance degree program at Wright State University. One successful auditionee will also be awarded with the **WSU School of Music Honor Band Scholarship**
- If you have a student interested in auditioning for acceptance and a scholarship to the WSU School of Music, please ask them to contact shelley.jagow@wright.edu or they may contact their applied area faculty to set up an audition and a free mini-lesson:

  School of Music Wind & Percussion Faculty

  - **Dr. Christopher Chaffee** – Flute
  - **Katherine DeGruchy** – Oboe
  - **John Kurokawa** – Clarinet
  - **William Jobert** – Bassoon
  - **Dr. Shelley Jagow** – Saxophone
  - **Jennifer Grantham** – Saxophone
  - **Dr. David Diamond** – Trumpet
  - **Aaron Brant** – Horn
  - **Dr. Gretchen McNamara** – Trombone
  - **Daniel Honaker** – Euphonium & Tuba
  - **Gerald Noble** – Percussion

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- At the Final Concert, the following awards will be announced and distributed:
  - Conn-Selmer Music Education Award (WSU Undergraduate)
  - WSU School of Music Honor Band Scholarship

MEALS

- A pizza dinner will be provided for the High School students and directors on Thursday, February 20 immediately following their Sectional rehearsal.
- All other meals are the responsibility of the students and directors.

HOTEL & BILLETING

- Any hotel reservations are to be made by the director or student’s guardians.
- If you wish for your child to be assigned to a home billet with an Undergraduate music student, please contact shelley.jagow@wright.edu

FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

- A complete festival schedule can be found on the Honor Bands website:  [https://liberal-arts.wright.edu/music/wright-state-university-honor-band-festival](https://liberal-arts.wright.edu/music/wright-state-university-honor-band-festival)