

Directors,

Welcome to the 2023 Region X HS Band Solo and Ensemble Contest held at Vidor High School, February 3rd and 4th. The Vidor High School Band and Boosters are proud to host this event and look forward to your participation!

**CONTEST OFFICE & DIRECTOR CHECK-IN/OUT:** The contest office is the Library. Directors check-in with Mr. Nolden, provide Form 1, pick-up/sort judging sheets, and check-out from this location. Judging sheets will be available in the presentation tables area in the Library as they are collected and entered. Medals will be available upon checkout.

**MUSIC/JUDGING SHEETS**: Please take blank judging sheets (in order of the schedule) and original music to each room monitor at the start of the contest. Original music may be provided by the director of the performing student to the judge directly.

**WARM UP/HOLDING AREA**: Students may warm-up and keep cases/belongings in the Cafeteria/Commons area. Please have a chaperone to monitor your students and their belongings.

**PERCUSSION INSTRUMENTS**: Do not store these instruments in the hallway upon arrival or performance completion. Please move large percussion instruments near the performance rooms immediately before bringing them into the performance room. The percussion unloading zone may be used as a percussion instrument holding area if you choose, but will not be monitored. Please do not play in the percussion unloading zone as to not disturb the medium ensemble performance area.

**MEDIUM ENSEMBLES**: The medium ensemble performance area is Band Hall A and the warm-up area is next door in Band Hall B. We will have the following large percussion instruments available to use: bass drum, marimba, bells, chimes, timpani (32,29,26,23).

**PERFORMANCE AREAS/SET-UP**: Participants should report to their room at least 15 minutes before their scheduled performance time. It will be helpful for students to locate their room after arriving to campus and before warming up to plan additional time walking from their warm-up location. Please limit the number of students waiting immediately outside of the performance rooms.

**CHAPERONES**: Please have multiple chaperones to monitor your students, especially if you have a large group. To cut down on the number of people in the hallways we request that only performing students and directors be in the halls.

**HOSPITALITY**: Room 301 is a hospitality room for directors. Our Band Boosters are providing food for directors. The Bus Driver's Lounge is located in Room 304.

**CONCESSIONS**: The VHS Band Boosters and students will provide a concessions area throughout the contest in the Cafeteria/Commons area. They will be selling a variety of food, snacks and drinks.

Best wishes for great performances!

Sincerely,
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