



# MUSIC PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2026

THOMPSON HIGH SCHOOL

8:00 AM	WIND ENSEMBLE CLASS / PACK EQUIPMENT
8:55 AM	SYMPHONIC BAND CLASS / PACK EQUIPMENT
<hr/>	
11:00 AM	CLASS DISMISSAL
11:15 AM	TEAM MEETING / BOARD BUSES
11:40 AM	DEPART PELHAM HIGH SCHOOL
12:00 PM	ARRIVE AT ALABASTER PROMENADE / EAT LUNCH
1:15 PM	DEPART LUNCH FOR THOMPSON HIGH SCHOOL
1:30 PM	ARRIVE AT THOMPSON HIGH SCHOOL
2:10 PM	SYMPHONIC BAND WARM-UP
2:40 PM	SYMPHONIC BAND PERFORMS
3:00 PM	SYMPHONIC BAND SIGHT READS <i>-AFTER SIGHT READING PUT EQUIPMENT AWAY / LISTEN TO BANDS-</i>
3:25 PM	WIND ENSEMBLE WARM-UP
3:55 PM	WIND ENSEMBLE PERFORMS
4:20 PM	WIND ENSEMBLE SIGHT READS
4:30 PM	PACK UP EQUIPMENT
4:45 PM	DEPART FOR PELHAM HIGH SCHOOL
5:15 PM	ARRIVE AT PELHAM HIGH SCHOOL

Welcome all!

I hope this email finds you well! Please see the details below. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me, Graham Bennett, know at [donald.bennett@acsboe.org](mailto:donald.bennett@acsboe.org).

### **When You Arrive**

Check in at the registration table. Bring your seating chart and three original copies of your scores, with measures numbered. The registration table will let you know when the warm-up room is ready for your ensemble.

### **Buses**

Buses CANNOT remain at the drop off location. They MUST be moved and parked in the overflow bus/trailer parking area following drop off and until pick up.

### **Spectators/Groups While Not Performing**

Please have spectators park in the marked location, and have them enter through the PAC Lobby (registration area). Also feel free to have your group(s) sit in the PAC to watch any of the incredible performances throughout the day.

### **Warm Up Room**

The choir room will be used for warm up. There will be 75 chairs available as well as a mixed assortment of solid and wire stands. Each band will have 20 minutes in the warm up room prior to their performance. If your performance follows a break, you have the option to warm up on stage. Art's and Gadsden Music will be on hand in the warm-up room for any repair needs your students may have. Percussion WILL NOT be provided in the warm up room.

### **Stage Performance**

We have a stage crew at each venue that will try to have everything setup just as you describe in your seating chart. There will be 75 chairs available as well as 75 solid stands. Please check the stage prior to allowing your ensemble to enter for the performance. We are running a very tight schedule, so it is imperative that each ensemble is ready to begin their performance at the prescribed time. *Note: Paper programs will be available in the auditorium lobby.*

### **Stage Percussion Available**

2 Marimbas

2 Vibes

Xylophone

Bells

Chimes

Toms (4)

Bass Drum

Timpani (4)

Tam Tam

*\*Drum sticks and mallets ARE NOT provided\**

### **Sight-Reading Room**

The band room will be used for sight-reading. There will be 75 chairs available as well as 75 solid stands. As a friendly reminder, students may not play their instruments during your preparation period, but they may clap, sing, air play, tizzle, sizzle, etc. Bass drum, timpani (4), and a xylophone will be provided. You will need to provide all additional and auxiliary percussion, drum sticks, and mallets. You may also provide your own percussion equipment in place of ours.

### **Written Scores Sheets**

The written score sheets from your stage performance will be delivered to you at the registration table, following your ensemble's performance. You are responsible for bringing a sealed copy of your sight-reading scores to the registration table for our ABA records.

### **Audio Recordings and Judges' Audio Comments**

These will be emailed to you at the address we have on file at [www.alaband.org](http://www.alaband.org) in the evening of your performance day. Shaun Gates, owner of Sweet Spot Live Recordings, has a QR code posted in the lobby so parents can purchase a copy of the recording, if they would like.

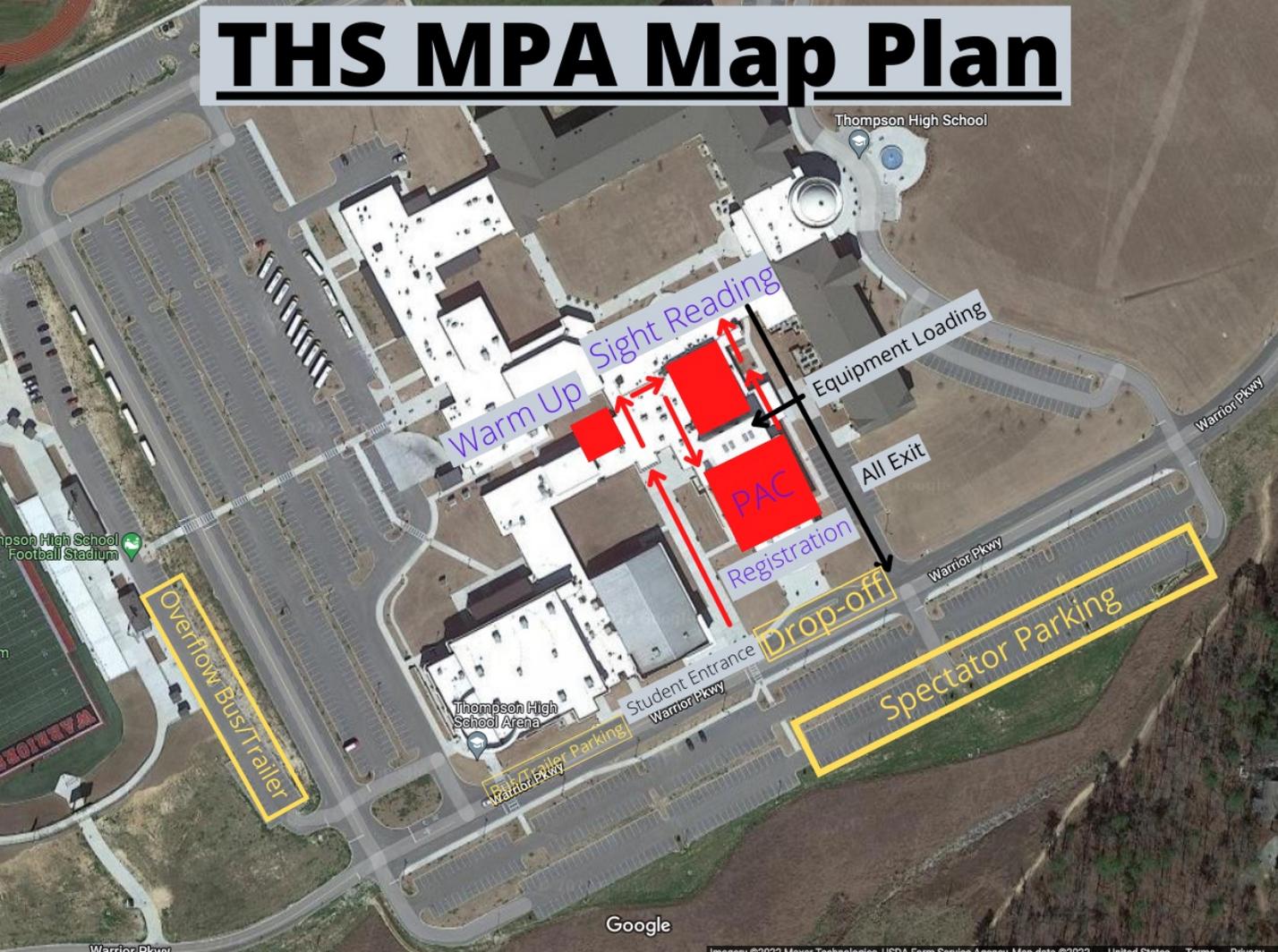


The graphic features the text "sweet spot live" in a serif font at the top, followed by a horizontal audio waveform. Below the waveform is the word "recordings" in a serif font. To the left is a QR code. To the right of the QR code, the text reads "MP3 Audio Download via Dropbox link" and "\$5 (per group)" in a bold sans-serif font. At the bottom, there is a row of payment logos: PayPal, PayPal CREDIT, VISA, Mastercard, AMEX, DISCOVER, and venmo.

Please feel free to share all of this information with all participating directors. Also, let me know if we need to change/update any of the information. Thank you!

Looking forward to a fantastic week of musical performances!!

# THS MPA Map Plan



Thompson High School

Sight Reading

Warm Up

PAC

Registration

Equipment Loading

All Exit

Drop-off

Spectator Parking

Overflow Bus/Trailer

Thompson High School Arena

Student Entrance  
Warrior Pkwy

Full Trailer Parking  
Warrior Pkwy

Warrior Pkwy

Warrior Pkwy

Google