

2023 WSMA High School State Honors Music Project October Concert Reminders:

Frequently Asked Questions: Please review the Frequently Asked Questions document. Here you will find information regarding rehearsal and concert dress, what items to bring and other important information.

Schedules and Other October Information: Schedules for the different ensembles can be found here!

Concert Tickets: Tickets are available for all of the High School Honors Concerts. Tickets purchased in advance are less expensive than those purchased on the day of the concert. **Get your tickets today!**

Arrival at Verona High School: All of the High School Honors students should report directly to <u>Verona High School</u>, 234 Wildcat Way, Verona, WI 53593. Because Verona High School will be in session upon your arrival, please do not park in the visitor parking area. You are asked to drop off your child, luggage and instrument at Door 6 and continue through the drop off area as quickly as possible as shown on this <u>map</u>. Please do not arrive early!

Students Driving to Verona High School: If it is necessary for a student to drive to Madison, please park in the Verona Area High School staff parking area as close to the road as possible while still in the parking lot. At registration, give your car's make and model, license plate number and color of your vehicle to the registration staff. You will be given a parking permit to put in your car. It can remain there overnight. After your concert, please retrieve your car from the parking lot.

Transportation Around Madison and to the Concert: Students will be transported from Verona High School to the hotel and to the concert by school bus. Students are not allowed to drive to these locations.

Meals: Meals are provided to students either by Verona Area High School's food service or by WSMA as follows:

• Jazz Ensemble: Lunch and supper are provided on Thursday at Verona Area High School. Breakfast on Friday is in the hotel lobby.

- Band and Orchestra: Supper on Wednesday and lunch on Thursday are provided by Verona Area High School. Light breakfast is available for purchase on Thursday morning at Verona Area High School CASH ONLY
- Treble Choir and Mixed Choir: Lunch is provided on Thursday at First United Methodist Church by Milio's. There will be gluten free and vegetarian options. For those that purchased the breakfast option on Thursday morning, you will receive a ticket.

Please Note: Verona Area High School is a nut free zone and has been informed of food allergies as submitted to WSMA. Those with food allergies should also check with either High School food service staff or WSMA staff. Please be proactive. If necessary, items can be brought from home or Honors staff can get them at area businesses.

Jazz Ensemble Rhythm Section Members: Upon arrival at Verona High School, report first to Door 6 as indicated on the <u>map.</u> An Honors staff will then direct you to Door G by the PAC backstage to off load your equipment.

All Other Jazz Ensemble Members: Report to Door 6 as explained above.

Connecting with Students: It is vitally important that students be safe while in Madison. Students must always remain in groups and with others. While walking downtown, stay with the group! Please do not leave the hotel for any reason.

- Band and Orchestra Concert: Students are free to leave at the conclusion of the entire concert. Band students will receive a ticket to watch the Orchestra Concert in the concert hall. After the concert parents should meet students in the lobby. Parents are not permitted backstage!
- Treble Choir and Mixed Choir: Parents are asked to meet their child at First United Methodist Church at the conclusion of the 5:00 pm rehearsal. Please do not park in the parking lot of First United Methodist Church. Park in a nearby ramp and meet your child. You will have time for supper with your child before they report to the Overture Center. Mixed Choir students will receive a ticket to watch the Treble Choir Concert in the concert hall. After the concert, parents should meet students in the lobby. Parents are not permitted backstage!
- Jazz Ensemble: After the concert, please meet students near the stage right area of the ballroom. The stage crew will be working on stage so please move equipment off the stage quickly.

If there are any questions, please contact Tim Wurgler, WSMA Program Manager at 608-850-1022 or twurgler@wsmamusic.org.