



2011 VBODA All-Virginia Band and Orchestra Event



GENERAL INFORMATION

Thursday, April 7 - Saturday, April 9, 2011

Charlottesville High School

Charlottesville, Virginia

On behalf of the Band and Orchestra Directors of District XIII and the Charlottesville City Schools, welcome and congratulations on your selection for the 2011 All-Virginia Band and Orchestra Event. We are honored to have you as guests and hope to provide you with an outstanding weekend of great camaraderie and music making. We would also like to recognize all of the Virginia music educators who continue to provide great instruction, guidance, and support year after year. We applaud your talent, efforts, and accomplishments!

The All-Virginia event will take place at Charlottesville High School from Thursday, April 7 through Saturday, April 9. You should find everything you need regarding this event in the paperwork provided. Please **read everything thoroughly** to ensure that every student, educator, and parent understands the All-Virginia Event expectations. Your timely responses are expected and appreciated.

If you should have any event questions, you may contact Mrs. Michelle Taylor, All-Virginia Event Coordinator at 703-319-2771 or via email at mtaylor2@fcps.edu. We look forward to seeing you in April!

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

DEADLINE

- As directed by the VBODA Executive Board, the deadline for registration forms for all students is **Friday, March 18, 2011**.
- If a director misses the registration deadline of **March 18, 2011**, then alternates will be called.

ALTERNATES

- Directors should contact Michelle Taylor immediately if any selected students will not participate in the event, so the next chair can be contacted. **According to VBODA regulations any student who auditions for All-VA but does not participate in the event, forfeits their eligibility to audition the next year.**

FEES

- There will be a \$35.00 fee for each student participating. The fee will cover registration, certificate, medal, t-shirt, Thursday dinner, Friday lunch, and Saturday lunch for each student participant.
- Directors must send a copy of his/her **valid and current** MENC card or pay the VMEA non-member fee of \$107.00 in addition to the registration fees. *To avoid this \$107.00 fee*, every director must submit a copy of their current MENC membership card to Michelle Taylor at Oakton High School by Friday, March 18, 2011. See "*Director's Financial Form*" regarding how to submit this information.
- Payment must be made payable to VBODA and in the form of ONE school or booster check. **Separate, personal checks will not be accepted.**
- **Payment must be received by Friday, March 18, 2011.**

LODGING

- Each Director is responsible for making housing and transportation arrangements for themselves and/or their student(s).
- For your convenience, the host has compiled a list of local hotels of varying costs and locations. Blocks of rooms have been arranged at several hotels in close proximity to Charlottesville High School. Refer to the "Lodging" sheet.
- Please note the blocks close on different days for different hotels. Refer to the "Lodging" page for specific details. We encourage you to make your lodging reservations ASAP!

FORMS

- Please note that ALL forms (for director AND student) MUST be returned by **March 18, 2011**.
- Separate forms exist for the director and for the student.
- All forms should be individually printed and completed in their entirety.
- It is the sole responsibility of each director to download their own forms from the VBODA website and to return all necessary, completed forms to Michelle Taylor, All-Virginia Coordinator by the deadline of **Friday, March 18, 2011**.
- Each director MUST download, complete and submit the following forms:
 - **Director's Financial Form**
 - A copy of MENC card
 - One school/booster check made payable to VBODA
 - **Participant Information Form** (*Must be signed by the director and school principal*)
 - **Student Registration Form** (for each student participating in the event)
 - A **current copy of a school Emergency Medical Care Form** for each participating student
- ALL forms MUST be submitted by mail by **Friday, March 18, 2011**. *No exceptions!!!*

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- *NOTE:* If a director will NOT be in attendance at the All-Virginia event, then an approved designee must be appointed and listed on the "Participant Information" form. Refer to sections III and VIII of your VBODA Administrative Handbook.
- *NOTE:* If a *student* arrives at the event *without a director or approved designee*, then he or she will NOT be permitted to participate and *WILL be sent home*.

REHEARSAL INFORMATION

- All rehearsals will be held at Charlottesville High School, 1400 Melbourne Road, Charlottesville, VA 22901. In case of emergency, please contact the Charlottesville High School Orchestra office at 434-245-2726.
- Charlottesville High School is on Spring Break during the All-Virginia event. Please do not wander into other areas of the building. Remain in designated areas during all breaks.
- All electronic devices must be kept off and put away during the All-Virginia rehearsals and performances.
- The All-Virginia event observes a *strict dress code*, which deems the environment as a place of business where students are learning both academic and social skills. Students are expected to wear appropriate clothing that is not distracting in the educational setting.
 - *For example, pajamas and slippers, spandex, as well as underwear shown outside of the clothing, are prohibited. Insufficient clothing that does not cover the waist, shoulders, or other body parts is also prohibited. Apparel with profanity or advertisements for drugs and/or alcoholic beverages are strictly prohibited!*
- Charlottesville High School is a Smoke/Tobacco/Drug FREE facility for all students, directors, educators, administrators, support staff, and parents.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Students are expected to conduct themselves in a manner becoming to their school, organization, and family, and to abide by the following rules. School rules of the host school are in effect.

- Students **MUST** arrive on time and attend every rehearsal in its entirety. Refer to the “Event Schedule” for further details to assess time commitment and ability to adhere to program requirements.
- Use or possession of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs; inappropriate attire; use of literature, language, or gestures which are profane; or other infractions of event rules are strictly prohibited.
- If a student cannot honor their rehearsal commitment to the All-Virginia event, then their director and the event host must be immediately contacted with this information so that alternates can be arranged.
- A violation of these responsibilities may result in dismissal from this group and its activities.

PARKING ARRANGEMENTS

- The Martin Luther King Performing Arts Center (“MLK PAC”) is located at the back of Charlottesville High School. The Charlottesville City Schools are on Spring Break during the All-Virginia event, so parking should be plentiful.

DAILY ARRIVAL

- All participants are expected to arrive for registration on Thursday, April 7 between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. at Charlottesville High School. Seating and announcements will take place in the MLK PAC at 12:30 p.m.
- All participants should enter through the MLK PAC entrance at Charlottesville High School.
- All directors and director designees will register their students in lobby of the MLK PAC.
- Please refer to the “Event Schedule” form for details about arrival.

MEALS

- Thursday dinner, Friday lunch, and Saturday lunch are provided to students as part of their registration fee. Directors may purchase meals for \$9 each. **Students may not leave campus for meals.**
- Vegetarian options will be available for each meal, but must be noted on the student registration form.

PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

Concert Date, Time and Location

- On Saturday, April 9, the All-Virginia Band and Orchestra Event will start at 1:30 pm in the Charlottesville High School MLK PAC. Parents, please note that doors will not open to the MLK PAC until 12:45 p.m.
- There is no admission fee for this concert.

Concert Order

- On Saturday, April 9, Concert Band will perform first, then Symphonic Band, and conclude with the Orchestra.

Recording Information

- realMUSIC Productions will be recording the All State Band & Orchestra concerts at Charlottesville HS. Orders for CD's and DVD's of the performances can be taken onsite, on the website at www.realmusicav.com (after April 1), email at BB@realmusicav.com or by phone, 804-683-3102.

- 2-disc CD set - \$25; 2-disc DVD set - \$35; 4-disc CD/DVD Combo set - \$45

Concert Attire

- Contact your director for details regarding appropriate attire for the concert event.

PERCUSSION EQUIPMENT

- The first and second chair in each ensemble should bring his/her own snare drum.
- Students and respective directors will be contacted prior to the event regarding other instrumental needs if any.

Players will be held accountable for any damage to percussion instruments during their use at this event.