

District IV Middle School Honor Band

Audition Pre-Registration Information 2017

Dear Parents,

I would like to encourage your child to sign up to audition for the **District IV Middle School Honor Bands**. This is a unique opportunity for selected students to perform with outstanding musicians from throughout the Greater Baton Rouge area. Membership in these prestigious groups is a great addition to any young musician's resume! Composer William Owens will even conduct this year's top honor band.

Audition Information

- **Date - Saturday, December 9** at East Ascension High School at a time that will be individually assigned to the student TBD. ***Be sure you are available for all the rehearsal times and concert before signing up to audition!***
- **Audition Fee** - \$10 pre-registration fee
- **Audition Requirements** -
 - Short prepared piece found at www.districtiv.org and in the back of the band book
 - F, C, Bb, Eb, Ab, and Chromatic Scales found in the band book
 - Short sight-reading piece which students can practice for at sightreadingfactory.com
- **Tutoring** - Optional after-school tutoring will be available for students auditioning. Check the band calendar for dates and times, <http://www.cmsmustangband.com/calendar.html>

If Selected for the Band

- Rehearsals and the concert are held during "Honor Band Weekend" (no school missed) on the campus of Southeastern University in Hammond. Students spend the weekend overnight there. The CMS Booster Club provides chaperones and arranges hotel and transportation accommodations. Students will be required to pay a portion of the hotel fee, approximately \$50-75, TBD.
- Students must be present for 100% of all rehearsals and the concert in order to participate.
 - **Honor Band Weekend in Hammond** -
 - **Thursday, Jan 11** - Rehearsal - 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM at SLU
 - **Friday, Jan 12** (no school that day) - Rehearsals - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM at SLU
 - **Saturday, Jan 13** - Rehearsal & Concert - TBA in the morning at SLU

Student's Name: _____ **Instrument:** _____

Please list any conflicts that the district may need to take into consideration when scheduling the student's audition time on December 9th (i.e., sports event from 9:00 am – 11:00 am). The honor band association will try to accommodate you! _____

As parent/guardian of the student named above, I grant permission for my students to be registered for the District IV Honor Band Auditions. I also grant permission for my student's name, school affiliation, contact information, instrument, and grade to be submitted to the District IV Band Directors Association by the student's music instructor, who is a member of the association. I also understand that the student, if selected, will be photographed and video recorded for the performance.

Print Guardian's Name: _____

Sign Guardian's Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Please return along with the \$10.00 audition payment (cash or check to CMS Band Boosters) before November 1st!