

December 19, 2024

Congratulations! Based on your application and your audition, you have been selected to participate in the 34th Annual Auburn University High School Honor Band Festival. The Festival is sponsored by the Auburn University Bands and the Department of Music and will be held in Auburn the weekend of February 27-March 1, 2025. The Festival will consist of two bands: the Wind Ensemble, and the Symphonic Band. We are very excited to announce that our featured artists will be Dana Wilson, composer, and Graham Breedlove, trumpet.

In order for you to participate in the Festival, we must receive your festival fee of \$65.00 by *Friday, January 17*. If we have not received your payment by *January 17*, and have not heard from you regarding your payment, we will assume that you do not wish to participate in the Festival and another student will be chosen as a replacement. You may pay online at the AU Bands [website](#). If you prefer to pay by check, please make it out to AU Bands, and mail to AU High School Honor Band, 132 Goodwin Music Building, Auburn, AL 36849. Mailed checks must be postmarked by January 17.

Release Form: The Honor Band Release Form can be found on the [High School Honor Band page](#). **It is to be completed online and signed by your parent or guardian. Release forms must be completed by Friday, January 17.** Parents will be informed of any medical emergency and will be responsible for all medical expenses incurred. Students with special needs of any kind should provide the Auburn University Band staff with detailed information so we can accommodate you.

Money: Your \$65.00 fee covers participation in the Festival. Also included in that fee is a commemorative Festival T-Shirt and Festival medal. You should bring sufficient money for your hotel room, meals, snacks, souvenirs, etc.

Festival Finale Concert: The Festival will conclude by featuring both Honor Bands in a Finale Concert in the Gogue Performing Arts Center on the campus of Auburn University at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 1, 2025. Families, friends, and directors of participating students are encouraged to attend this concert. Admission is free.

Reminder: *Be sure that you pay the fee of \$65.00 by **Friday, January 17**.* If you will be unable to attend the Festival, please notify us immediately at auhb@auburn.edu so that we can offer the place reserved for you to someone else. (Registration fees cannot be refunded.)

Plan to check in for the honor band at Goodwin Music Building between 2:00-2:30 on Thursday, Feb. 27th. Check our website and your email in the coming weeks for the final schedule, parking info, and other details. Final rosters and chair placements will be posted at the check-in site.

We look forward to having you with us for the 34th Annual Auburn University High School Honor Band Festival. We believe it will be an enjoyable and rewarding weekend for everyone involved. If you have any questions, or if we can help you in any way, please let us know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Good". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "R" and "G".

Dr. Rick Good
Auburn University
Director of Bands

VERY IMPORTANT: *To participate in the Auburn Honor Band Festival, you must attend ALL of the festival rehearsals, clinics, master classes and concerts. If you have any conflict which would necessitate missing any part of the Honor Band Festival, you **MAY NOT** participate in the Festival.*