

December 12, 2022

**Congratulations!** Based on your application and your director's recommendation, you have been selected to participate in the Twelfth Annual Auburn University Middle 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 2-4, 2023. The Festival will consist of one Symphonic Band. We are very excited to announce that our featured guest conductor and clinician will be composer William Owens.

**In order for you to participate in the Festival, we must receive your participation fee of \$65.00 by Monday, January 9, 2023. If we have not received your payment by *January 9*, and have not heard from you regarding your payment, we will assume that you do not wish to participate and another student will be chosen as a replacement. You may pay online by clicking the Participation Fee button on the [AU Bands website](#), or by check if you prefer. Checks should be made out to AU Bands, and mailed to AU MS Honor Band, 132 Goodwin Music Building, Auburn, AL, 36849 and should be postmarked by January 3rd.**

**Release Form:** The Honor Band Release Form can be found on the [Middle School Honor Band webpage](#). **It is to be completed online and signed by your parent or guardian.**

**Release forms must be completed by Monday, January 9.** Students with special needs of any kind should provide the Auburn University Band staff with detailed information so we can accommodate them.

**Money:** Your \$65.00 fee covers participation in the Festival only. 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 the honor band in a Finale Concert in the Gogue Performing Arts Center on the campus of Auburn University at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 4, 2023. Families, friends, and directors of participating students are encouraged to attend this concert. Admission is free.

**Reminder:** *Be sure that you pay the festival fee of \$65.00 by Monday, January 9. If you will be unable to attend the Festival, please notify us immediately at [auhb@auburn.edu](mailto:auhb@auburn.edu) so that we can offer the place reserved for you to someone else. (Registration fees cannot be refunded.)*

Check-in for the honor band will be at Goodwin Music Building between 2:00 – 2:30pm on Thursday, February 2, 2022. Check our website and your email in the coming weeks for chair placement audition information, final schedule, and other details.

We look forward to having you with us for the Thirteenth Annual Auburn University Middle School Honor Band Festival. We believe that 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, prominent "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, 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.*