



27th ODACS BAND AND CHOIR FESTIVAL INFORMATION SHEET

Dates: Thursday and Friday, November 21-22, 2024

Place: Fairfax Baptist Temple Academy, Fairfax Station, VA

Times: Thursday 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Cost: \$40.00 per student (includes lunch and supper on Friday)

Each school that has a band is asked to purchase one selection of music to keep. Doing so helps to defray festival expenses.

Registration Fee: \$40 per student (postmarked by September 30)

Late Registration Fee: \$45 per student (postmarked after September 30)

*(Each school will collect the student registration fees and submit one check, payable to ODACS. Be sure to include with the check your **School Registration Form**, available on the ODACS web site.)*

Band Participants: Any ODACS students in grade 7-12 with a minimum of two or more years of experience in band or private tutoring. Each student must submit a Student Registration Form, which includes his qualifications and necessary signatures.

Band Auditions: Students will audition to compete for placement in the Symphonic Band and for chair placement. Those who do not audition will be placed in the Concert Band. Auditions will be recorded at the student's school and then submitted for adjudication by band festival officials. (See www.vaodacs.com for details.)

Music: Pieces from grade levels 2 - 4 will be selected for the festival. Concert selections will be presented at the festival on Thursday night for sight reading. If possible, available music will be sent to registered schools in advance for rehearsal prior to the festival.

Dress Code:

A. Rehearsal Attire

- 1) GIRLS – Modest, knee-length dress or skirt and blouse, dress shoes (NO PANTS)
- 2) GUYS - Collared shirt tucked in; nice pants (NO JEANS)

B: Concert Attire

- 1) GIRLS - Modest long sleeve white blouse, full black or navy skirt, dark dress shoes.
- 2) GUYS - Long sleeve white dress shirt tucked in, black or navy pants, dark socks, dark dress shoes, and dark tie.

Note: Please do not wear school uniforms for the concert!

What to Bring:

- Instrument and supplies - reeds, cork grease, valve and slide oil, etc.
- Clothing for Concert (see dress code above)
- Money for meals while traveling. **Lunch and supper will be provided on Friday and are included in the registration fee. Important Note: Students will not be permitted to leave the premises on Friday.**