



PRE-LGPE PERFORMANCES @ FAIRVIEW PAC

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025

February 25, 2025

On Wednesday, March 5, 2025 Ola High School Band's three concert ensembles will present their Large Group Performance Evaluation performances in conjunction with Ola Middle School for family, friends, and a panel of mock adjudicators at the **FAIRVIEW PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**. This panel will provide feedback that will be used the following two weeks to refine each performance.

What is LGPE? The Georgia Music Educators Association sanctions an annual symphonic band evaluation known as "Large Group Performance Evaluation" or "LGPE". It is the equivalent of an end of course test in other subject areas (except that it happens mid-semester). We prepare our groups to play three selections: 1) a march or chorale style piece of our choosing 2) Two selections from a GMEA approved list of works designated by difficulty level. Difficulty ranges from level "1" (beginner level) through level "6" (most difficult level). This year, we will perform level 3 with the Concert Band, level 4/5 with Symphonic Band, and level 6 with the Wind Symphony.

A panel of three judges evaluate our performance based on tone quality, intonation, style and interpretation, etc. The judges are selected by the GMEA District leadership band directors and typically represent accomplished university and high school band programs from around the country. Wednesday evening, we will have three trusted band directors from the area who all have successful band programs joining us to provide feedback that will assist with preparations for the official assessment on March 17th.

Following our stage performance on the official assessment day, we will go into a second room where we are evaluated on the student's ability to play a piece that they have never seen before (sight reading). We have 6 minutes to study and talk, then we perform. This aspect of the evaluation really shows the bands that are teaching techniques and fundamentals versus those in which a lot of "rote teaching" occurs.

As we have shared with students in class; ensemble performances of the Ola High School Band Program will be treated as a very formal event. Attention to detail in regards to arriving on time, the proper wearing of concert attire, high performance standards, proper concert etiquette, and model student behavior will be the expectation of those students who represent and perform with any ensemble associated with the Ola High School Band Program.

Concert Date: Wednesday, March 5, 2025

- Doors to the **Fairview PAC** will open at 5:30pm. High School Ensemble performance times are:
Symphonic Band - 7:15pm, Symphonic Winds - 7:45pm, Wind Symphony - 8:15pm

Location: HCS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER (Fairview) | 544 Fairview Rd. | Stockbridge, GA 30281

Instrument Cases: High School cases and belongings will be stored on the tables in the hall of the facility (where we have placed them for our concerts).
Middle School cases and belongings will be assigned a location in the hall based on ensemble.

Dismissal: For this event and only this event, students will be permitted to leave as soon as they are done performing.

Mobile Devices/Personal Belongings/Instrument Cases: students will be required to keep all personal belongings and instruments cases in the back hall. Mobile devices will not be permitted on stage..

Event Schedule:

Ensemble	Report Time	Warm-up Location	Performance Start Time
Middle School 7th Grade Band			6:00pm
Middle School 8th Grade Band			6:30pm
High School Symphonic Band	6:35pm Attendance 6:45pm seated in chair/warm up room	Back Conference Room	7:15pm
High School Symphonic Winds	7:05pm Attendance 7:15pm seated in chair/warm up room	Back Conference Room	7:45pm
High School Wind Symphony	7:35pm Attendance 7:45pm seated in chair/on stage	Stage	8:15pm

- *As part of learning skills that students can use for success in the future, being on time is mandatory. Students are strongly encouraged to arrive a few minutes early, be in their designated location and patiently wait for instructions.*

Attire: As indicated in the course syllabus for all ensembles, students are required to have a program specific tuxedo or dress. Please make sure that pants and dress lengths are hemmed to the proper length. Pants are to be hemmed where they will lay on top of the shoe without breaking the crease in the front. Dresses are to be hemmed to where they meet the ankle bone.

Students wearing a tuxedo: no excessive jewelry, solid white t-shirt underneath the tux shirt, you must wear the studs provided with the tux shirt, solid black crew socks, solid black dress shoes (lace up or slip on). No white socks, no tennis shoes, no vans, no boots.

Example of Lace up:



Example of Slip On:



Students wearing a dress: no excessive jewelry, no undergarment straps should be seen around the neck line of the dress, no excessive makeup, stockings are not required, no heels, boots, tennis shoes, or vans. Flats are strongly suggested.

Example of flats:

