



DICKERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL BANDS
2010 Georgia State Band Performance Evaluation

Dear Band Parents and Students,

January 29, 2010

Here is the information for our upcoming Georgia Music Educator's Association State Band Performance Evaluation (BPE). Please review the information and make the appropriate arrangements regarding your child's participation and your attendance at these concerts. The Dickerson **7-1 Band** is scheduled to perform at **4:55pm** on **Thursday, March 25 2010** at **Kell High School**. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend this very important performance.

Students must travel to Kell H.S. with the group, but if you attend the concert performance and would like to take your child home after sight-reading is completed, please indicate this on the permission form. The philosophy of our county BPE includes students taking advantage of the opportunity to watch and listen to other middle school bands perform; therefore students in the 7-1 band should plan to remain until after the Tapp band performs.

Since there will be NO CONCESSION STAND at Kell H.S., the band members will have a pizza snack at Dickerson before we leave. This will be the students' only opportunity to eat. Students not wishing to eat pizza may bring their own snack. (See the attached form to order pizza/drink.)

DO NOT SEND PIZZA MONEY! YOUR CHILD WILL NEED TO BRING MONEY TO PAY FOR THE PIZZA AND SODA THE DAY OF THE EVENT.

We will need several parents to help chaperone this event. Our departure from Dickerson will be during school busing hours, so we are chartering buses to transport our students. This is an excellent opportunity to involve yourself with your child's school. Please indicate on the form if you are interested, and if you are available to drive, as the buses will only have seats for 2 chaperones!

We also need assistance serving the pizza snack before we leave Dickerson. Pizza helpers can stay on to chaperone if they would like. Pizza helpers would need to be at Dickerson from 1:30 to 3:00 that afternoon. Please indicate on the form if you would be willing to help us in this area!

The BPE is a formal concert event, and since the band will be rated on their appearance, the Dickerson Bands will be wearing their formal uniforms. Please make certain your child brings his/her black and white concert attire to school that morning. All clothes will be stored in the bandroom during the day, so please make sure the uniform is stored in a garment bag with the ***student's name clearly labeled on the bag!***

We appreciate your support of music at Dickerson! On the back side is an itinerary for the State BPE day. Please call us if you need any additional information or further explanations. Maps to Kell H.S. will be sent home closer to the BPE performance day. Attached to this letter is a permission/pizza order form/chaperone sign-up.

*Please have your child return the permission and pizza form by **Friday, February 12th**.*

7-1 Band BPE Schedule

Thursday, March 25, 2010

Kell High School

7-1 Performance Time – 4:55 pm

TIME	ACTIVITY
1:30 pm	Meet in Theater
1:45 pm	Eat pizza
2:10 pm	Change into uniform
2:30 pm	Meet in theater
2:45 pm	Load buses
3:00 pm	Depart for Kell H.S.
3:45 pm	Arrive at Kell, put instruments in storage room -restroom break for 7-1
4:10 pm	7-1 Warm-up
4:55 pm	7-1 PERFORMANCE!
5:20 pm	7-1 Clinic
5:45 pm	7-1 Sight-reading
6:35 pm	Put away instruments
6:20 pm	Watch Palmer MS
7:00 pm	Watch Tapp Symphonic
7:30 pm	Collect instruments
7:40 pm	All students load bus Students checked-out to parents
7:45 pm	Depart Kell H.S.
8:15 pm	Arrive Dickerson Middle School

Keep this page for your records!

Reminder: Performance Evaluation Preview Clinic
Thursday, February 25th, 2010
After-school – 6:30 pm
See letter and/or website for details and times!

