



DICKERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL BANDS  
*2010 Georgia State Band Performance Evaluation*

Dear Band Parents and Students,

January 28, 2010

Here is the information letter for the 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 **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Symphonic Band** is scheduled to perform at **7:00 pm** on **Wednesday, March 17 2010** at **McEachern High School**. All Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend this very important performance.

Students must travel to McEachern 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.

Since there will be NO CONCESSION STAND at McEachern 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 BPE.***

We will need at least ten parents to chaperone. This is an excellent opportunity to involve yourself with your child's school. Please indicate on the form if you are interested.

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 4:00 – 5:00s pm 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 McEachern 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!***

**Reminder: National Concert Band Festival Clinic**  
**Friday, Feb 12 - After-school – 6:00 pm**  
**Saturday, Feb 13 – 9:00 am – 5:30 pm**

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# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade BPE Schedule

## Wednesday, March 17, 2010

McEachern H.S.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Symphonic Band Performance – 7:00 pm

| <b>TIME</b>    | <b>ACTIVITY</b>               |
|----------------|-------------------------------|
| 4:00 pm        | Meet in theater               |
| 4:15 pm        | Eat pizza/Change into uniform |
| 4:45 pm        | Meet in theater               |
| 5:15 pm        | Load bus                      |
| 5:30 pm        | Depart for McEachern H.S.     |
| 6:00 pm        | Arrive at McEachern H.S.      |
| 6:15 pm        | Warm-up                       |
| <b>7:00 pm</b> | <b>PERFORMANCE!!!</b>         |
| <b>7:25 pm</b> | <b>Clinic</b>                 |
| <b>7:50 pm</b> | <b>Sight Reading</b>          |
| 8:15 pm        | Watch Tapp M.S.               |
| 8:40 pm        | Depart McEachern              |
| 9:00 pm        | Arrive at Dickerson           |

**Keep this page for your records!**

