2022 Fall Music Festival

DATE and TIME:
   Friday, October 27 & 28, 2022
   Choral Rehearsals Thursday, 4-7 pm (includes supper & mixers)
   Choral/Band Rehearsals Friday from 8:30 am until 4:30 pm
   Concert at 7:00 pm

LOCATION:
   Indiana Christian Academy
   432 W 300 N
   Anderson, IN  46012
   765-643-7884

EVENT HOST:
   Mr. Stephen Perdue, ICA Music Teacher

COST:
   Concert Participants: $8 per student (lunch is extra)
   Concert Guests: $3/student, $6 Adult, $20 Family

Purpose Statement: The purpose of the IACS Fall Music Festival is to: 1) develop students’ musicianship; 2) build positive relationships among student musicians from IACS member schools; and 3) promote excellence for the glory of God.

What kind of music will be performed?
Repertoire, carefully selected by the guest conductors (6 for choirs, 5 for bands), is designed to challenge students to new levels of performance. Selections will include a blend of sacred and secular, general and seasonal, all of which will represent the best in choral and instrumental music. Students will rehearse together both days and present a concert to friends and family at 7 pm Friday evening in the auditorium at Grace Baptist Church. After the festival, school Music Directors are encouraged to program selected pieces from the event on their Christmas and Spring concerts.

Who buys the music?
Each school will secure their own choral octavos which they keep after the event; each school purchases one (or two) band numbers which they share as pdfs among the other participating schools; the school that pays for the band number and director’s score retains it at the end of the concert. All schools retain the choral music they have purchased for their school.

When should our students start rehearsing?
School music directors should plan to purchase music before school begins so that participating students can begin working on them right away. Students are expected to know their assigned voice parts before they arrive. With individual parts secure, the clinicians can focus more on polishing and interpretation as they prepare the students for the final concert.

What grade levels can participate?
Students in grades 9-12 are qualified to participate in the festival choir and band. Schools may also opt to bring seventh and eighth grade students who are capable of playing high school level band music (level 2-3). Directors/chaperones are encouraged to play in the festival band as well.

What happens on the day of the festival?
An initial choral and band rehearsal is held on Thursday evening from 4-7 pm that will include supper and mixers/games. Continuing band and choir rehearsals with the clinicians begin at 8:30 Friday morning and end at 5:30 pm. Directors serve as chaperones during rehearsals to ensure students are where they are supposed to be and are giving their best effort. The rehearsal schedule will be carefully planned to accommodate students who are in both choir and band.

What about meals?
Dinner is available on Thursday for those who sign up in advance. Breakfast is up to each school to provide during travel. Lunch, paid for with registration, will be provided onsite to maximize rehearsal time. Dinner will be onsite to help maximize rehearsal time before the concert. A room will be reserved for directors/chaperones with refreshments throughout the day.

What will student musicians wear?
Concert for girls consists of a below-the-knee black concert dress with sleeves (see sample), black dress shoes, and an optional light-weight black scarf. Concert attire for guys is long-sleeved, black dress shirt; solid-colored tie; black pants and belt; dark socks and dark shoes (no tennis shoes).

What if our school is a long way from Anderson?
Schools that have a long drive may elect to find lodging in the area either at a sister school or an area hotel.
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