

# ***2012 CJMEA Region II Wind Ensemble & Symphonic Band***

December 10, 2011

Dear Student,

Congratulations on your acceptance into the 2012 CJMEA Region II Wind Ensemble or Symphonic Band. On behalf of the entire committee, I would like to commend you on your hard work. I know you will continue to work diligently for your upcoming Region Band experience. The conductors have chosen extremely challenging programs for you to perform! The following represents important information you must know:

## **PERSONNEL**

**Wind Ensemble:** Dr. Thomas McCauley, Cnductor  
Director of Bands, John J. Cali School of Music  
Montclair State University  
Mr. Steven Rapp, Manager  
Summit High School

**Symphonic Band:** Mr. Larry Markiewicz , Conductor  
Bridgewater-Raritan High School  
Mr. Durand Thomas, Manager  
Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School

## **REHEARSAL SCHEDULE**

December 17	<b>Bridgewater-Raritan HS</b>	9:00am-1:00pm
	- There is no lunch break on December 17th. Please bring a snack.	
	- Photos will be taken at this rehearsal.	
January 13	Montgomery High School	9:00am-5:00pm
	- School is in session this day. No one will be permitted to park a car on the Montgomery campus. Please plan for a ride in advance.	
	- Bring a lunch for both the 13 <sup>th</sup> and 14 <sup>th</sup> .	
January 14	Montgomery High School	9:00am-4:00pm
January 15	<b>Concert</b> – Montgomery High School*	Report at 2:00pm

It is your responsibility to get to rehearsal **ON TIME!!** *Check the directions in advance*, arrange your rides, and leave enough time to get to the rehearsal site. Plan to arrive at least 15 minutes before rehearsal to warm-up.

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\* Concert attire for gentlemen is tuxedo black. (A black suit with white shirt and necktie will suffice if a tuxedo is not available.) Concert attire for ladies is long black and conservative black footwear.

## ITEMS TO BRING TO REHEARSAL

- \$15 Acceptance Fee in cash or money order made out to CJMEA (**NO School Purchase Orders or Personal Checks will be accepted – Director checks WILL be accepted**)
- Music Stand - Please *do not* bring a music stand. Both sites have plenty.
- Tuner (if possible)
- Mutes for brass players
- Percussion equipment (You or your director will get a call prior to 12/17)
- Food for lunch or snack – **No one may leave the rehearsal site!**
- Anything you may need for your instrument (Reeds, Valve Oil, etc.)

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance and promptness at all rehearsals is required! These are the only reasons for an absence:

- 1. Serious illness (Doctor's note required)**
- 2. Death in your immediate family.**
- 3. Performance by YOUR school ensemble.**

No other excuses will be accepted. If you miss more than one rehearsal, you will be dismissed from the ensemble and not be eligible for any All-State ensembles this year.

You will also be expected to stay for the entire rehearsal. **No early dismissal for any reason will be accepted.**

## Weather Emergency

In the case of a weather emergency do not call Mr. Toth. For all rehearsals, a decision will be made **by 7:30am** and will be posted on the CJMEA website. You can access this site by the address listed below:

**<http://www.cjmea.org>**

Please do not email for information, as no emails will be answered concerning postponements or cancellations.

**You must call Mr. Toth ONLY** if there is an absence at **732-887-5319**.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation. I know you will have a musically rewarding experience! Please do not hesitate to call me with any questions.

Brian Toth  
High School Band Chairperson

**Directions to CJMEA Band Rehearsal and Concert Locations 2011-2012**

**Bridgewater-Raritan High School 600 Garretson Road Bridgewater, NJ 08807 – December 17**

From the South: Take Route 202/206 North through the Somerville Circle to Commons Way. At the traffic light make a left onto Commons Way and proceed to the traffic light at the end of Commons Way. You will see The Field house on the left. Make a left onto Garretson Road. The Field House, Athletic Fields and High School are located on the left.

OR

Take the Garden State Parkway North to Route 287 North. Take Exit 14B-Somerville-Route 22 West (The exit lane will be on the left). Proceed on Route 22 West to Commons Way. Stay on Commons Way past the Mall to the traffic light at the end of the road. That is Garretson Road. Make a left hand turn onto Garretson Road. The Field House and High School are on the left.

From the North: Take Route 287 South to Exit 17. Travel 1/4 mile on Route 202-206 South to Commons Way. Make a right hand turn onto Commons Way and proceed to the traffic light at the end of the road. Make a left hand turn onto Garretson Road. The Field House and High School are on the left.

From the East: Take Route 78 West to Exit 29 and proceed on Route 287 South to Exit 17: Travel 1/4 mile to Commons Way. Make a right hand turn at the light onto Commons Way and proceed to the traffic light at the end of the road. Make a left hand turn onto Garretson Road. The Field House and High School are on the left.

**Montgomery High School 1016 Route 601 Skillman 08558 – January 13-15**

From the East: Take I-195 West to I-295 North. Continue on I-295 North as it turns into I-95 South. Once on I-95 South take exit 7B for US-206 North. Follow US-206 North for approximately 5 miles. Make a left turn on Route 601/Elm Rd. Continue on Elm Rd for approximately 5 mi (it will change names to Great Rd). As you cross Route 518, Montgomery HS is 1/2 mi down on the left.

From the South (via US-1): Take US-1 to Ridge Rd in South Brunswick and make a left on Ridge Rd (jug handle before light). Follow Ridge Rd through Rocky Hill for approximately 3 mi (road will change names). Make a left on the Georgetown-Franklin Turnpike (Route 518). Follow this road for 4 mi to Route 601. Make a right on Route 601 and Montgomery HS is 1/2 mi down on the left.

Directions from the North (via NJ Turnpike): Take the NJ Turnpike to exit (New Brunswick). Upon exiting follow signs to US-1 South. Take US-1 South through North Brunswick to Finnegans Ln (1<sup>st</sup> light after US-1 becomes 2 lanes). Make a right on Finnegans Ln. At the next light make a left on Route 27. Take Route 27 to the 8<sup>th</sup> light which is Route 518. Make a right on Route 518 and travel Route 518 for 7 mi to Route 601. Make a right on Route 601 and Montgomery HS is 1/2 mi down on the left.

Directions from the North (via Route 206): Take Route 206 South for a total of approximately 10 miles from its intersection with I-287. Once you are through Hillsborough follow signs to bear right at Trent Pl. Follow Trent Pl for 1 mi at which point it becomes Route 601. Montgomery HS is approximately 3-1/2 mi down on the right.

## CJMEA Parental Pickup Policy Form

Dear Parents:

We have had some difficulties in the past with students not being picked up promptly at the conclusion of rehearsals. This has resulted in our directors having to wait in some cases for considerably amounts of time with no communication from parents as to why they have not picked up their child. We have therefore instituted the following policy regarding parental pickup.

*CJMEA believes that it is the responsibility of each parent to make sure that their child is promptly picked up by the stated ending times for all rehearsals. In the event you are delayed for any reason in picking up your child, CJMEA requires that you call*

**732-887-5319**

*and explain the reason for your delay and give us an estimated arrival time. We expect that you will call us as soon as you realize that you will not be there by the end of the rehearsal.*

*As a courtesy to you, our directors will wait with your child for 30 minutes after the rehearsal. After that point, we will call the local police department and make arrangements for your child to be picked up and taken to the police station to wait until such time as you can get there to pick your child up. We will use the numbers you have listed below to try and contact you. Should you not answer, we will leave a message indicating the phone number for the police station where your child has been taken.*

I have read and agree to abide with the policy listed above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's (or legal guardian's) signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Student's Name

Student's Address

### Phone Number Where I Can Be Reached.

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's (or female legal guardian's) cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Father's (or male legal guardian's) cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Bus company contact (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS FORM BY THE FIRST REHEARSAL**