



## SCKMEA

October 10, 2018

Greetings and congratulations on being selected to perform with the **2018 SCKMEA Middle School Honor Band** on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Below is information regarding music, schedule, clinician and concert dress.

**The rehearsals and performances are at Goddard Eisenhower High School on November 3, 2018**

**Students will need the following items with them:**

- Music (*Star Spangled Banner, Canto, Alamo, Etowah, As Tears Fall on Dawn's New Light*)
- Pencil
- Wire music stand
- Extra money for concessions
- **Dress clothes for concert:** Please no jeans, t-shirts or tennis shoes. Preferred dress is:

Boys – Dress Pants, Dress Shirt, Dress Shoes

Girls – Dress, Long Dress Skirt, Dress Pants, Dress Shirt, Dress Shoes.

NOTE: IF GIRLS WEAR A DRESS OR SKIRT, IT MUST BE BELOW KNEE LENGTH WHEN THEY ARE **SEATED**...NO EXCEPTIONS!

### **Schedule**

7:45 – 8:00 am – Students find their seats

8:00 – 8:15 am – Introductions and Rules

8:15 – 9:30 am – Rehearsal

9:30 – 9:45 am – Break

9:45 – 11:30 am – Rehearsal

11:30 – 12:30 pm – Lunch & dress for concert (Lunch is provided)

12:30 – 1:45 pm – Rehearsal

1:45 – 2:00 pm – Break

2:00 – 2:30 pm – Final Rehearsal

2:45 pm – On stage ready for concert

3:00 pm SCKMEA Middle School Honor Band Concert

This year's guest clinician is:

**Dr. Frank Perez**

**Frank Perez** serves as the Director of Bands and Associate Professor of Music at Baker University in Baldwin City, Kansas, where he conducts the Baker Symphonic Winds, Jazz Ensemble, and Pep Band. Additionally, he teaches applied trombone, euphonium and tuba lessons, supervises student teachers, and oversees all aspects of the university band program. Previous positions include director of bands at Graceland University, where he held the prestigious Vredenburg Endowed Chair, graduate teaching assistant at the University of Kansas, and director of bands at Ganesha High School in Pomona, California. He enjoyed eight years of successful high school teaching in Southern California, where his groups earned numerous awards and superior ratings at both district and state festivals.

Dr. Perez maintains an active national and international guest-conducting schedule. He has guest conducted conference honor bands in Iowa, Missouri, and Kansas. In 2016, he served as the principal conductor for the Kansas State Lions Band. Dr. Perez has served as guest conductor and artist in residence for the Bénémerita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla, in Puebla, México. He has presented clinics and workshops for the Kansas Music Educators Association, Missouri Music Educators Conference, California Music Educators Association, Iowa Music Educators Association and the Iowa Bandmasters Conference. He is also the author of several technology review articles for the *Teaching Music Magazine*.

Dr. Perez is an active as a freelance trombonist, having performed with ensembles such as the La Jolla Symphony, L.A. Guild Opera, Des Moines Big Band, and his trombone quartet, KC Bone Connection. He currently serves as the principal trombonist for the Freestate Brass Band and DeSoto Brass Band. Dr. Perez has recorded with Bones West, The USC Big Band, and for the NAXOS label with the KU Wind Ensemble. He has also appeared as a guest trombone soloist for area high school and community ensembles.

Dr. Perez holds bachelor degrees in trombone performance and music education, and a master of music education degree from the University of Southern California Thornton School of Music. He earned a Doctor of Musical Arts Degree in Wind Band Conducting from the University of Kansas School of Music and has been honored by Phi Kappa Phi and Pi Kappa Lambda honor fraternities, Blue Key National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American Teachers, and most recently by the Phi Beta Mu International School Band Director Fraternity. Dr. Perez serves as the Society for Music Education (SMTE) chair for Kansas and is actively involved with the Baldwin City Lions Club.

To ensure you have the most enjoyable and most educational experience, you need to prepare your music ahead of time. Please be on time, be prepared, and be ready to learn a lot!

We are looking forward to November 3<sup>rd</sup>!

Musically yours,

Jayne K. Hayes  
SCKMEA MS Band Chair

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SCKMEA MS Band Assistant Chair