



Louisiana Bandmasters' Association

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LBA Middle School All-Star Bands

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Dear Band Directors,

Enclosed is the nomination form for the L.B.A. Middle School All-Star High Bands. Students will have the opportunity to perform with one of three different ensembles based on an audition which is done upon arrival to LBA.

The Middle School All-Star Bands will rehearse on the campuses of the **Tioga Junior and Senior High school** in Tioga, LA. Registration and chair placement will take place **Monday, June 3rd** at Tioga. The concert will be held on **Tuesday, June 4th** at Tioga Sr. High School Auditorium. A chaperone or parent must be present and must remain with the students throughout the registration and audition process.

Parents will be responsible for finding their own hotel in the area. Directors, please do not submit a name until you have informed parents that they or the school will be paying for their own hotel rooms and will be responsible for all the student's meals during the conference.

This year, we have a line-up of great clinicians to lead all of our three ensembles. Conducting our Wind Ensemble (Top Group) will be the Award winning Composer, **Tyler S. Grant**. Our Symphonic Band (2nd Group) will be conducted by our **Bandmaster of the Year**. Our Concert Band (3rd Group) will be conducted by **Amy Williams**, Band Director at Youngsville Middle School in Youngsville, Louisiana. The middle school students will also have the privilege of attending concerts performed by our High School Jazz and Blast bands on Monday night.

Students must be enrolled in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade for the 2018-2019 school year in order to qualify for nomination into the LBA Middle School All-Star Bands. Students will be selected on a point system. Every participating band will have at least 1 student selected. Directors submitting names for participation in the LBA Middle School All-Star Band must be current L.B.A. members. Please send your **\$50.00 dues and membership forms** to Cheryl Corkran at 605 Anthony St., Bossier City, LA 71112 (checks made payable to L.B.A.) L.B.A. dues will be valid from October to October.

A total of 13 points may be earned by nominated students:

- 2 points: 1st Chair School Band
- 2 points: District Band Participant
- 2 points: 1st Chair District Honor Band
- 1 point: Parish Honor Band Participant
- 1 point: 1st Chair Parish Honor Band
- 2 points: Solo or Ensemble Superior
- 1 point: Superior Concert Assessment Last Year
- 2 points: LBA Member Last Year

There is NO minimum number of points required to be selected into the LBA Middle School All-Star Bands. If you have additional students to nominate within a section, please submit a duplicate form. All students selected to the All-Star Band will audition immediately following registration to determine chair placement with-in one of our three Middle School Ensembles.

If you have any questions concerning the nomination form, please feel free to call me at 985-278-1176.

Musically yours,

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