

Rochester High School

Dear MSBOA Directors and Participants:

The Rochester High School Bands & Orchestra and Rochester Band & Orchestra Boosters are proud to host the MSBOA District XVI Solo & Ensemble Festival on January 15 and January 21 & 22, 2022.

A map of the school with room assignments is included with this letter to directors for distribution to students.

Driving Directions: Rochester HS is at the SW corner of Walton Blvd. and Livernois Rd., just west of downtown Rochester. **From the South:** take I-75 N to the Rochester Rd. exit (#67), North on Rochester Rd. to Avon Rd., West on Avon Rd. to Livernois Rd., North on Livernois Rd. to the school. **From the East & North:** Take 23 Mile Rd. to the light by Yates Cider Mill, and turn left. The road becomes Avon Rd. Go West on Avon Rd. to Livernois Rd., and North on Livernois Rd. to the school.

Parking: is very limited but available in the two lots on the east side of the school (Livernois Rd.), the two lots on the north side of the school (Walton Blvd.), a small lot on the west side of the school, and a small lot on the south side of the school. Please carpool whenever possible. Note that cars parked illegally may be ticketed and towed at owners' expense—particularly in fire lanes. We expect the Oakland County Sheriff to be on site. Please be courteous to our volunteers who are directing traffic.

Navigating the School: Rochester HS is a large building and rooms are rather spread-out. Maps have been emailed to directors for distribution to students and are available on the website. There will be guide stations with maps at each main entrance (one off Livernois Rd., three off Walton Blvd., and one at the south entrance). **Handicapped access** is available at all main entrances, but the majority of events are best accessed from the Walton Blvd. parking lots. There is an elevator available for the second floor events; persons who need to use the elevator should go to the RHS Band Office or contact the nearest guide station to unlock to the elevator.

Percussion: Smaller equipment should be unloaded first at the main circle drive entrance (door #1) or the NE Walton Rd. entrance (door #3). Larger equipment, particularly mallet percussion & timpani, should be unloaded by the auditorium scene shop (by door #8), which is accessed by a driveway from the parking lot at the northeast corner of the school. Warm-up for all percussion sections will be in or near the auditorium.

As a courtesy, RHS has limited availability of a bass drum, marimba, vibraphone, xylophone, chimes, and 5 timpani in one particular section. These instruments are **NOT** available in any other section. Also, they will not be available in the warm-up room (stage). Students must provide their own mallets and beaters.

DIRECTORS must contact me to make arrangements in advance in order to use the percussion.

Hospitality: RHS Band & Orchestra Boosters will be selling food, drinks, flowers, candy grams, buttons, t-shirts & hoodies; they appreciate your patronage! A&G Central Music will be on hand for emergency repairs and supply purchases; their booth will be near the cafeteria. Copy machines will **NOT** be available at the school (MSBOA District XVI rules). MSBOA medals & stickers are free for students who earn a Division I or II rating; they will be available by the cafeteria.

If I can be of assistance, do not hesitate to call or email.

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