



November 1, 2022

Dear Colleague:

The University of Mississippi Band and Music Departments will sponsor the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Ole Miss Mid-South Honor Band Clinic February 16-18, 2023. Rehearsals will begin on Thursday, February 16 at 7:00 PM. After a full schedule of rehearsals and related activities on Friday, the Mid-South Honor Band Clinic will conclude with a Grand Concert at on Saturday, February 18.

The Clinic will consist of two honor bands directed by two distinguished conductors, Mr. Kevin Welborn, Director of Bands at Avon High School in Avon, Indiana and Dee Dee Pitts, Assistant Director of Bands at Gulfport High School. A special feature of the Clinic will be a Friday evening concert presented by the UM Wind Ensemble.

Each high school is encouraged to nominate a maximum of **eight 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students** for the Mid-South Honor Band Clinic, and the clinic will be limited to an instrumentation of approximately 180 students. Membership will be determined on the basis of high school band directors' recommendation and instrumentation needed. For the clinic to be a positive event for all involved, please nominate those that are at a level musically to participate in a clinic environment and are good citizens. The registration fee for each student is \$60.00, which covers medals for each participating student, and all other administrative expenses with the exceptions of meals and housing. We are asking that each individual band director take care of the housing of his/her own band students during the honor band clinic. Please do not submit the registration fee until notification of acceptance is received.

To nominate students for this event, please visit our website (<http://band.olemiss.edu/mid-south-honor-band/>) to fill out and submit the online form by Friday, December 9, 2022. Nominations received after the deadline date will only be considered according to availability of space. Results of the nomination process will be posted on our website no later than January 13, 2023. The 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Ole Miss Mid-South Honor Band Clinic on the University of Mississippi campus in Oxford will provide your outstanding students with a rewarding and educational experience. You have our best wishes for a successful academic year. Please contact us if we at Ole Miss can ever be of service to you.

Sincerely,

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