Livingston County Concert Band

2023-24 **MEMBER HANDBOOK**

www.lccbmusic.org

MISSION STATEMENT

Purpose

• To provide an opportunity for community instrumentalists to practice their art through performance.

Objectives

- To create and maintain a nonprofit community band
- To offer qualified instrumentalists an opportunity to perform symphonic music
- To promote lifelong music participation and appreciation for personal enrichment
- To contribute to the enhancement of the performing arts in Livingston and other surrounding counties

MUSICIAN GUIDELINES

General

- LCCB members will be a part of our mailing list, livingstoncountyconcertband@gmail.com which is the primary method of communication. Members will also be on our Email Newsletter list which we use to send email newsletters to publicize our events and concerts.
- Members need to keep contact information current by notifying the Trustee in charge of Membership of any changes.
- Members are asked to assist in distributing concert posters and information.
- By participating with the LCCB, members consent to the release of audio/video media which may contain your likeness and/or performance.
- The LCCB is funded in large part by its members through voluntary donations and annual membership dues.

Membership

• The LCCB is a non-auditioned group. Membership is open to high school age and older who have high school level playing experience.

Attendance

- A rehearsal schedule with locations will be published on the LCCB website and sent via email to members
- Rehearsals during the school year run from 7:00 p.m. -9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, with a 10 minute break.
- The Summer rehearsals and concerts begin at 7:00 p.m.
- Attendance is taken at each rehearsal. Members must attend at least 4 rehearsals per concert cycle in order to perform in the concert.
- Weather, emergency cancellations, or any change in venues, times, or dates will be communicated prior to 3:00 p.m. through email. If Howell Public Schools are closed due to weather or building issues, the rehearsal will be canceled.

Sheet Music

- Music will be distributed, and parts assigned, by the Music Librarian to the Section Leaders who will distribute it within their section. Some music, especially for the summer session, will be in digital format and you will be responsible for printing your own parts.
- Music will be collected immediately after the end of each concert. You will be responsible for damaged and lost parts.
- Members must return all LCCB music and/or property immediately if they leave the band.

CONCERT GUIDELINES

Concert Dress (unless otherwise stated)

- Concert attire shall be dressy black. Sleeves must be at least 3/4 length. Trousers must be full length. Skirts must be below the knee when the player is seated. Black socks or stockings should cover any part of the leg that is visible. Black jackets may be worn with a black or white shirt/blouse. Accessories such as belts, ties and shoes must be black. Tops and bottoms should meet in the middle and have a fit and cut that leaves something to the imagination. Yoga pants, sweats, shorts and mini-skirts are NOT considered appropriate.
- Jewelry and accessories should be kept to a minimum so as not to distract from the uniform appearance of the band.

Summer Session Concert Dress (casual, outdoor attire)

 Players shall wear dark pants or shorts and the LCCB shirt (purchased from LCCB) or a shirt of similar color.

Rehearsal Etiquette

- Rehearsals start promptly at 7:00 p.m. Members should be in their seats ready to play at 7:00 p.m.
- Section Leaders should be informed of late arrivals or absences.
- Talking during rehearsal should be kept to a minimum.
- Members should not chew gum during rehearsal.

Concert Etiquette

- There should be no electronics or other non-music items on stage during a performance, including purses, bags, cases, etc.
- Members should not chew gum on stage.
- During applause, all band members will be gracious by facing their audience and will wait until the applause has stopped before moving their music.

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