

August 10, 2018

Dear Colleagues,

WELCOME BACK to the start of another school year! I hope the summer “break” was enjoyable and that you feel recharged by spending time with family and friends, traveling, or just relaxing at home.



I am writing to you with reminders and important information about the activities of the South Central District Bandmasters Association. Please read carefully and adhere to the deadlines to ensure a successful year for you, your students, and SCDBA.

1. Annual Fall SCDBA Meeting: **September 10, 2018**

LOCATION CHANGE! - This year the fall meeting will be held at Hickory Ridge High School
7321 Raging Ridge Road, Harrisburg, NC 28075

- 5:15pm New Directors Meeting in the media center – this is for any director new to the South Central District. Please send an email to scdbachair@gmail.com by **September 1** if you plan to attend.
- 6:00 pm General Meeting - this is very important and will take place in the auditorium.

2. Registration for SCDBA membership opens online at www.scdba.net on **August 15**. ALL directors must register each year even if your information is the same as previous years. The deadline to join is **September 17, 2018**. Please know that if you do not register, your students will not be permitted to participate in any district event nor will you receive any information concerning those events. You will receive a confirmation email once registered.

3. Our district is currently switching to Google Groups from our previous use of Yahoo Groups. Members of the old Yahoo group will be added to the new Google list and you will receive an email when this is done. However, this will take some time so the Yahoo group will continue to be the official means of communication until the transition is complete. More details to follow.

4. Please contact any “new” band director(s) in our district of whom you are aware and inform them of the upcoming meeting. Your help spreading the word is greatly appreciated.

5. There is a planned venue change for one of our district events – the High School MPA will be held at Mooresville High School on **April 1-5, 2019**.

6. A change of date for All-State Honor Band auditions was announced by the NCBA Board over the summer. Auditions will take place on **March 2, 2019** (a week earlier than previously thought) at Central Davidson High School, with **March 9** reserved as the snow date. The All-State Honor Band Clinic weekend will still be **May 3-5, 2019** at UNC-Greensboro.

Again, good luck throughout the year and I look forward to seeing each of you on September 10th.

Sincerely,

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