

Greater Richmond School of Music

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Hello GRSM Band Families,

We are pleased to announce that the GRSM Band Program will be back in schools for 2022-2023, and it is our plan to participate in the following events during the school year.

Beginning, Concert and Symphonic students

Winter Concert: Saturday, January 28th – show time 7:00pm

Rehearsals: Concert/Symphonic 4:45-5:45pm; Beginners 5:45-6:45pm

Spring Concert: Saturday, May 6th – show time 7:00pm

Rehearsals: Concert/Symphonic 4:45-5:45pm; Beginners 5:45-6:45pm

Students are required to attend the rehearsals, as these replace in-school lessons/rehearsals for the given weeks. For obvious reasons, students who do not attend the rehearsals will not be allowed to participate in the concert.

Concert and Symphonic students

Kings Dominion: Saturday May 13th – performance time 1:20pm (meeting time 12:15pm)

Symphonic students only

As you are aware, our highest Middle School level band is the "Symphonic" band. These students are expected to keep up with the standards required of this level (weekly attendance of small group and whole group lessons, daily at home practice, performance at the level required etc). In order to perform in the following Symphonic Events, they need to be consistently meeting those standards.

Symphonic Tour of Schools (perform at schools participating in the GRSM Band Program) **Monday, April 24**th – 8am-2:30pm (meeting time 7:45am at St. Mary's)

Richmond Flying Squirrels (The Diamond - perform the National Anthem) **Thursday, May 18**th – game time 6:35pm (meeting time 5:30pm)

We are also looking into additional performance opportunities for students at their own schools and/or elsewhere, so if you have any suggestions, please let us know!

We are very much looking forward to being a part of these performances, and urge you all to encourage your children to **practice**, **practice**, **practice** (several times a week for at the very least 15-20 mins each time) both so that they can appreciate the rewards of their hard work and also so that those attending their performances may be filled with the joy of wonderful music.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions and we would be happy to help.

Best Regards, Brennan & Charlene