



Oak Prairie Junior High School Bands

<http://band.d92.org>

All band students are invited to participate in the District 92 Solo and Ensemble Festival on Thursday, February 11th from 4:00pm to 8:00pm. Each participant will receive written feedback, a short clinic and a medal.

Students wishing to can also participate in the IGSMA District 6 Solo and Ensemble Festival on Saturday, February 13th, 2016 at TBA. Individual performance times will be scheduled between the hours of 8:00AM and 4:00PM. The performance schedule is usually available approximately two weeks before the contest day. Each student participating in IGSMA Solo and Ensemble Contest will receive written feedback and a medal (for Division I and II awards).

Solo & Ensemble is a wonderful opportunity for students to learn new music, perform with a piano accompanist and/or a small ensemble, and receive comments from a professional. The musical growth derived from participating in these events is unbelievable! Students compete against a standard, not against other students.

SOLO PARTICIPATION

All students are invited to perform a solo. Each student should obtain an appropriate contest solo from his/her private instructor. Students not studying privately can obtain a solo from Mr. Rank.

All instrumental solos, except snare drum and piano, **must** be performed with piano accompaniment. The professional accompanist fee is included in the solo fees. This will include rehearsals with the accompanist, as well as the performances. If you elect to not use a school provided accompanist, subtract \$15 from the District 92 Festival Fees or \$20 from the District 92/IGSMA Festival Fees.

ENSEMBLE PARTICIPATION

Students may choose to organize a small ensemble. These require additional practice and rehearsal time because they are a team effort. This is a great way to learn how to work with others and have fun making music with friends.

HELP SESSIONS

Students not studying privately will need to complete two help sessions with Mr. Rank. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the band room. This is to ensure that students have the best possible performance experience. **Any student who does not complete help sessions will be ineligible for contest participation.**

SOLO & ENSEMBLE FEES

Due to the high cost associated with Solo and Ensemble contests, we are required to collect fees for student participation. These fees go to cover adjudicator costs, medal fees and school usage fees.

Solo Fees	\$20 per solo for District 92 Festival (covers accompaniment fees)
	\$30 per solo for District 92 Festival/IGSMA Festival
Ensemble Fees	\$5 per member of the ensemble for District 92 Festival
	\$10 per member for the District 92 Festival and IGSMA Festival

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