



# Mt. Lebanon High School

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Dear Band Director,

The Mt. Lebanon School District is excited to host the 2022 PMEA Region I Senior High Band Festival on Friday, March 11 and Saturday, March 12, 2022. Please note that this will be a *commuter festival*. Also note that auditions for the PMEA Region Band Festival will take place prior to the festival.

Dr. Donald McKinney is this year's guest conductor. Dr. McKinney is Director of Bands and Professor of Conducting at the University of Colorado Boulder where he conducts the CU Wind Symphony, guides the graduate wind-conducting program, and oversees the university's comprehensive band program. He holds degrees from Duquesne University, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, and a Doctorate in Musical Arts with a focus on Conducting from the University of Michigan. His primary conducting teachers include Michael Haithcock, Dr. Jack Stamp, and Dr. Robert Cameron with additional study with H. Robert Reynolds and Frank Battisti.

Our tentative schedule is as follows:

## **Friday, March 11**

8:00 - 9:00 AM	Arrival and Check-In
9:00 - 12:30 PM	Rehearsal
12:45 - 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 - 5:00 PM	Rehearsal

## **Saturday, March 12**

8:00 - 9:00 AM	Arrival
9:00 - 12:00 PM	Rehearsal
12:15 - 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 - 3:00 PM	Rehearsal
4:00 - 5:00 PM	Concert

If you have any questions please contact me. I look forward to seeing you in March!

Sincerely,

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