

Congratulations to ALL students in **Concert Band, Symphonic Band, and Symphonic Winds** on their performances at the **VBODA Concert Band Assessment** this weekend! Each ensemble performed for 3 prepared selections for a nationally recognized panel of 3 judges. Following their stage performance, each group completes a sight-reading process where students and teacher have 7 minutes to study a piece of music never seen before. No playing can occur during the study time. At the end of 7 minutes, each ensemble performs the sight-reading piece and is evaluated by a 4<sup>th</sup> judge on their success and comprehension demonstrated through their SR performance. Both on stage and in sight reading, each group shared performances full of energy, artistry, and received incredibly positive, helpful, and constructive feedback from our adjudicators regarding our current levels of musical achievement and how to move forward in reaching new heights.

**Performance Recap**

Concert Band – Performed for Adjudicator Feedback/Comments Only, no ratings awarded

Symphonic Band – Straight Superior Ratings

Symphonic Winds – Straight Superior Ratings

The success of this weekend's performances coupled with our Mighty Marching Chargers performance at the Fall Marching Assessment have earned our program recognition as **a Virginia Honor Band for the 2021-22 school year**. While this recognition is bestowed upon programs whose marching band and top concert ensemble earn "Superior" ratings (highest rating awarded) at their respective Assessments, it is a reflection of the growth, progress, and work being achieved by ALL of our students in ALL of our ensembles.

Thank you all for your continued support of our programs!