

University of Montevallo Honor Band Festival 2026

Dear UM Honor Band Applicant:

Congratulations on being accepted to the *2026 University of Montevallo Honor Band Festival!* We expect to have an outstanding festival this year. There are several key points that you and your director should be aware of, so please use this letter as a checklist to help ensure that your UM Honor Band experience is pleasant and exciting. For the **Middle School** we will have three bands: **Festival Band and the Gold Band and the Purple Band.** For the **High School** we will also have three bands, **The Wind Ensemble, Gold Band and Purple Band.** All groups will have a wonderful musical experience!

- Registration Fee: **\$85.00** . Checks should be made payable to the **UM Foundation.** The fee includes registration, a T-shirt, and a participation medal. **No refunds can be administered.**
- Meals: Will be “on your own”. There are various fast food and campus dining areas available within reasonable walking distance, including the UM cafeteria (debit/credit cards only).
- We cannot provide chaperones for your child/students.
- Accommodations in the area include:

Alabaster: Candlewood Suites (800) 225-1237

Calera: Holiday Inn Express (205) 668-3641
America’s Best Value Inn (205) 668-0222
Hampton Inn, Calera (205) 668-6565

Pelham: Travel Lodge (205) 987-2233
Hampton Inn and Suites (205) 313-9500
Holiday Inn Express (205) 987-8888
Comfort Inn, Pelham (205) 444-9200
Ramada Inn (205) 987-0444
Sleep Inn (205) 982-9800

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Audition Materials:

Scales/arpeggio: Concert F and Bb - one octave (winds and mallets)

Prepared piece: will be the same as the required lyrical piece for All-State Band

Percussion:

Mallet: from Solos and Etudes for Marimba by Mark Johnson – page 12 - Musette – Play entire exercise

Snare: from Intermediate Drum Studies by Mitchell Peters – Etude 29 – start line 5, measure 3, play to the end.

No timpani will be required.

Sight-reading will be a part of the audition.

Music Stands: Each student **must bring his or her own music stand (PLEASE LABEL IT)**. Wire stands will be available for purchase at the festival for \$30.

Percussionists: Please bring your own mallets, sticks, etc.

Dress: Casual for rehearsals, school **band uniform** for the final concert.

A campus map with driving directions can be found at our website www.montevallo.edu.

Registration: **Middle School registration is due February 13. High School registration is due February 27.** To pre-register, please click on the link listed below and scroll down to the online registration link:

<https://www.montevallo.edu/academics/colleges/fine-arts/departments/department-of-music/events/honor-band-festivals/>

Send your check, money order made payable to **UM Foundation** to:
Department of Music - Attention: Honor Band
Station 6670 University of Montevallo, Montevallo,
AL. 35115

Or pay online:

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