



MSBOA District 16 Band & Orchestra Festival
Thursday-Saturday, March 11-13, 2026 @ Anchor Bay HS

MSBOA: District 16 Festival represents one of the most important days on our annual musical calendar. The MSBOA (Michigan Schools Band and Orchestra Association) is an organization consisting of bands and orchestras around the State of Michigan. Anchor Bay High School is a member of this organization. At the festival, students perform their music and are evaluated by a panel of musical experts – it is a complete educational experience. **Please note that the Festival is required for all band students in accordance with the Instrumental Music Attendance Policy.**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble

3:35pm **Symphonic Band** - Meet in coat room in full concert attire with folder and instrument.
4:35pm **Symphonic Band Performance at ABHS**. Parents, please attend to support our students!
5:55pm After ratings have been presented, students are officially dismissed. Stick around if you signed up to volunteer!

6:30pm **Wind Ensemble** - Meet in coat room in full concert attire with folder and instrument.
7:30pm **Wind Ensemble Performance at ABHS**. Parents, please attend to support our students!
8:50pm After ratings have been presented, students are officially dismissed.

THURSDAY, MARCH 12

Concert/Cadet Band and 9th Grade Symphonic Band

4:30pm **Concert/Cadet Band** - Meet in coat room in full concert attire with folder and instrument.
5:30pm **Concert/Cadet Band Performance at ABHS**. Parents, please attend to support our students!
6:50pm After ratings have been presented, students are officially dismissed. Stick around if you signed up to volunteer!

6:40pm **Symphonic Band** - Meet in coat room in full concert attire with folder and instrument.
7:40pm **Symphonic Band Performance at ABHS**. Parents, please attend to support our students!
9:00pm After ratings have been presented, students are officially dismissed. Stick around if you signed up to volunteer!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Parents, friends, family... Please attend and bring others with you! It truly means a lot to have a supportive crowd while performing.
- Students must be prepared with the correct uniform, instrument, music, working reeds, mallets, etc. at the time designated above!
- If you are coming to watch the performance, please arrive early. Entering and exiting the auditorium is not allowed during a performance.
- Enjoy the success of the student-musicians at festival. We will have a great performance!



STUDENT BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

- You are expected to always behave at the highest standards during this festival. Behave in the halls, performance spaces, and in the coat rooms. We are hosts for this event.
- Be quiet when standing outside of the auditorium when a band is performing.
- Profanity or any language that could be interpreted as profanity will not be tolerated at any point.
- All school rules are in effect and must be obeyed during the entire day. **Be a great musician and a great person.**
- Chaperones/volunteers are to always be treated with the proper respect!
- Make sure that you remember your instrument, extra reeds, sticks/mallets, and music.
- Be an excellent representative of Anchor Bay Bands! It is a huge honor to host and we have a reputation of being a great site to attend for Festival.

CHAPERONE/VOLUNTEER EXPECTATIONS

- Please ensure that students follow all the above rules and expectations.
- Encourage students to be respectful to everyone they encounter throughout the day.
- Make sure that students “leave it better than they found it.” Every area we enter and exit should look better than when we came in (no trash, things are organized and clean). Please enforce this rule with the students.
- Have fun! Thanks so much for offering time out of your busy schedule.