

# Forum Festival

*Symphonic Band, Concert Band, & Advanced Chorus*

*Friday, April 28, 2017*

**6:30 AM REPORT TIME!!!!**

April 17, 2017

Dear Concert Band, Symphonic Band and Advanced Chorus Parents and Students:

It's finally here!! As we've been looking forward to all year, the Concert Band, Symphonic Band and Advanced Chorus students will be attending and performing at the Forum Festival Judges Invitational at Fullerton College (321 E. Chapman Ave, Fullerton, CA 92832) on Friday, April 28. The students have dedicated many hours in learning the music we will perform for the judges, and we look forward to performing at a high level. Students must report to Bert Lynn no later than 6:30 AM that morning, as the Band needs to be unpacked and on stage at Fullerton College at 8:00 AM.

Please see the attached schedule and map for performance times and places. You are welcome to come see the students perform free of charge and cheer on our amazing Bert Lynn Music Corps! Please just pay attention to parking rules at Fullerton College, as I don't want you to get ticketed!

After all performances, we will be reloading the buses and heading to Disneyland for lunch, rides, etc. The awards are also at Disneyland at 7:00 PM at the Fantasyland Theatre in Disneyland. Don't forget to send money with your child for lunch and dinner at Disneyland! We will leave the park at 9:00 PM and plan on being back at Bert Lynn by 10:00 PM. Please plan on picking up your child there. **HOWEVER: please DO NOT park in front of school when you pick your child up. The buses need to drop us off there and cannot do so if cars are parked in front of school.**

**Those that wish to pick up your child early:** If you are planning on not having your student ride the bus home, please make arrangements to either meet us at Fullerton College after our performance or at Disneyland when we get there about 10:30 AM, or at 9:00 PM before we leave. I must have something in writing that you are picking up your child there, and please make arrangements BEFORE the day of the festival. I also need to SEE you with your student so I know they're taken care of. Remember, I am in charge of 150+ students that day and your child's safety is of utmost importance to me. It is my job to keep track of all of them! Please make my job easier by making arrangements before that day, and not trying to tell me during that day!

Dress code for this performance is our black 'Bert Lynn Music Corps' polo shirts, black pants (NO JEANS!), and appropriate all black shoes (yes, the judges notice!) Students are to arrive at school dressed and ready to perform. Please make sure your student is dressed appropriately, because these judges analyze how we look as well as how we play! Students may bring other clothes to change into at Disneyland if they wish, but school dress code still applies. I also expect students to put their music corps shirt back on for awards (but can wear shorts, etc.)

Students are expected to be on their best behavior all day, and all school rules apply for behavior. If a student behaves inappropriately on the bus, at the theater or at Disneyland, parents will be contacted immediately and students may be sent home at that time. At the theme park, students must stay in groups of at least 2 for safety. I ask that students really watch out for each other and themselves.

Please sign and return the accompanying permission slip to Mrs. Banim by **Friday, April 21** giving your student permission to attend this event. Thank you for your support and participation, and we look forward to giving a great performance at the Forum Festival!

Musically Yours, Mrs. Banim

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