

2026 MSBOA Spring Honors Festival

Showcase Concert Information

On behalf of the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association, congratulations on your upcoming performance in this year's Showcase Concert. Your presence is indicative of your outstanding musicianship and professionalism. In addition to the following important information, you should also find map of the Oakland University Campus and a map of Varner Hall.

Itinerary

1:00 – 1:30 p.m.	Honors Chamber Ensembles & Honors Jazz Combo Check-In (Lobby of Varner Hall, this is the music building on Oakland University's campus)
1:30 – 4:30 p.m.	Rehearsal begins with breaks as needed (Honors Chambers & Honors Jazz Combo Only) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Honors Brass Chamber, room 110 (first floor)• Honors String Chamber, room 134 (first floor)• Honors Woodwind Chamber, room 231 (second floor)• Honors Jazz Combo, room 222 (second floor)
4:00 – 4:30 p.m.	Small Ensembles & Outstanding Soloists Check-In
4:30 – 5:45 p.m.	Technical Rehearsal (for all participants)
5:45 – 6:30 p.m.	Dinner (box lunch for performers only) provided by the MSBOA in Rooms 205 & 206
6:30 p.m.	Doors open to the performance hall
7:00 p.m.	4 th Annual Spring Showcase Concert begins
9:00 p.m.	Estimated conclusion

Dress for the Concert

Students are asked to dress in "Concert Black." Any combination of sport or suit jacket, shirt, tie, dress slacks, skirt, dress, etc. are appropriate. You will need to arrive in your concert attire as there are no available changing rooms.

Parking

Honors Chamber Ensemble members should plan to arrive with enough time to walk from parking **LOT 26** to check-in. If using GPS, please use this address: **476 Pioneer Drive Rochester, MI 48309-4482**. When entering **LOT 26**, the building on your right is Varner Hall. Park anywhere in this lot - **there is no fee/charge for parking at any time**.

When entering Varner Hall, you will see a very tall door/window, almost to the roof of the building, labeled **DOOR 7**. Enter through this door and up the stairs through the glass door directly in front of you. This will bring you to our Varner Recital Hall lobby for registration. Please arrive at Varner Hall to check in sometime between 1:00 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. Small Ensembles/Outstanding Soloists should plan to arrive between 4:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. See the provided map.

Rehearsal and the Concert

Parents are welcome to observe during the rehearsals. However, parents do not need to be present during the rehearsals. The concert is free and open to the public. We encourage you to invite as many of your family and friends as you wish. However, please know the concert will be general admission and the performance hall has a seating capacity of 380. The concert will be recorded and available to view on a private YouTube channel following the concert. More information on how to view this will be provided to your director.