

Southeastern
United States
Concert Band Clinic
and Honor Bands

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Greetings!

I am pleased to invite you and your students to participate in the 53rd annual **Southeastern United States Concert Band Clinic and Honor Bands** held February 5-7, 2026 at Troy University! This year's event will feature performances by the **Veterans High School Wind Ensemble** (Kathleen, GA) and the **Southwest DeKalb High School Wind Symphony** (Decatur, GA) as well as Troy University's Symphony Band, Jazz Ensemble, and POPulus!

Joining us this year as guest conductors/clinicians are **Dr. David Gregory** (ret.) from Reinhardt University, **Dr. Shelby Chipman** from Florida A&M University, **Dr. Rebecca Phillips** from Colorado State University, and **Mr. Chris Cooper** from Homewood High School. **Mr. Larry Clark**, President of Excelcia Music Publishing, will also be on campus serving as our Distinguished Composer in Residence

One **major change** to this year's event is the return of **recorded auditions**. In an effort to elevate the experience for all involved, we are asking students to submit a recording of their audition material. The required musical excerpts as well as helpful tips for recording your audition are posted on the HS SEUS website: <http://music.troy.edu/#events>

In order to accommodate this change in the audition process, we are adjusting the deadlines and timelines to the following:

- **January 4, 2026 – Student applications due** (including active video links)
- January 5, 2026 – Recommendation Lists sent to Directors (as a spreadsheet)
 - This will be sent to the address provided by the student when applying.
- **January 9, 2026 – Recommendation Lists due**
- January 12, 2026 – Application results posted via SEUS website and email
 - **NEW...** Students will know their assigned ensemble at the time of posting.
- **January 13, 2026 – Registration portal opens** (completed individually)
 - This will include payment of \$100 per student and other required forms
- January 14, 2026 – **NEW...** Folders mailed to schools for accepted students
 - Students will receive the music and be able to practice ahead of the event!
- **February 1, 2025 – Registration Portal Closes; All forms/payments DUE**
- February 5, 2025 – HS SEUS Check-in and Chair Placement auditions

Chair placement auditions will be conducted by Troy University faculty following the opening meeting on February 5th and will consist of a portion of the musical excerpt prepared for their video audition. This will not change the participant's assigned ensemble; it will be used solely for chair placement within their assigned ensemble.

More information will be posted to the SEUS Website soon.

Thank you for your support as we work to elevate the High School SEUS Concert Band Clinic and Honor Bands. We look forward to hearing from you, reviewing your students' applications, and seeing you on campus in February!

If you have questions, please email seus@troy.edu.

Best wishes,

Kenneth Beck
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