2022 Northwest High School Honor Band and Directors Symposium
January 7 and 8, 2022

About the Honor Band:

The two Northwest High School Honor Bands will number approximately 90 members each. The 2022 clinicians will be Vu Nguyen, Director of Bands and Associate Professor of Music at the University of the Pacific, and Tonya Mitchell-Stradlin, Assistant Director of Bands and Associate Director of Athletic Bands at the University of South Carolina. Please recommend your outstanding student musicians for participation. Criteria for nomination should include:

1. Sophomore, junior, or senior status (although truly outstanding younger players may be considered).
2. All-State, All-Northwest, all regions, etc.
3. Serious students in your program that have already achieved success in music.

NOTE: Please be very thorough in the recommendation process – this is the only guide used in selection of your students(s).

Each nominating school is guaranteed participation in the Northwest High School Honor Band if nomination form is received by October 10, 2021. Directors should list players on the nomination form in prioritized order based on ability. We will make every effort to accept everyone’s first choice – with special consideration for balanced instrumentation. Please list specific instrument(s) on the nomination form (i.e. piccolo, treble/bass clef baritone, mallets and/or batter percussion, timpani).

Students will be accepted based on your nomination information (see online nomination form) and special consideration for balanced instrumentation. Auditions on January 7th will be with PLU faculty/students and area directors, and will determine ensemble and chair placement. The audition music may be found on our website at www.plu.edu/music.

There will be two concerts on Saturday, January 8th. Both concerts will be in Lagerquist Concert Hall on the Pacific Lutheran University campus, at 5 and 6:30pm. The 5pm concert will be for the Concert Band, their family and guests. The 6:30pm concert will be for the Symphonic Band, their family and guests. There will be no tickets for either concert, admission is free, and seating is first-come first-served.

Once nominations have been reviewed Honor Band participants will be notified of acceptance via email and provided access to registration.

There will be a $110 non-refundable fee for each student musician participating in the Northwest High School Honor Band. This fee includes lunch on Friday and Saturday, and a Northwest High School Honor Band t-shirt. This fee is due December 15, 2021.

NOTE: To achieve appropriate instrumentation, it is extremely important to notify PLU if a student is not able to attend.

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