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GMEA Conference Performance Trip

Parents,

On January 25, 2024, the 8th Grade Chorus will travel to Athens, Georgia to perform for the Georgia Music Educators' Association In-Service Conference. This conference serves as staff development for all the music teachers in the state. It is a huge honor to be invited to perform for this audience. We are one of 3 middle schools from the entire state to be invited.

On 1/25 we will load buses at 10:30am and leave by 11am. We have a rehearsal at our performance venue at 1pm followed by a guided tour of the UGA School of Music and an early dinner in the UGA dining hall. We will report back to the performance venue at 6pm to change and warm-up for the 7pm concert. At 7:30pm we will load buses and head back to Milton. We should return to Northwestern between 9-9:30pm. Please plan to pick up your child on the bus loop at this time.

Students should wear their NMS music t-shirt for the day. Students should bring their formal uniform (polo with black pants and black shoes) for the performance, lunch and/or snacks for the bus and their cell phone.

We need at least 6 chaperones to accompany us, but we have room for several more. Chaperones will need to have completed the FCS volunteer training and will need to ride the bus with us. Please email me ASAP if you would like to chaperone. Since this performance is part of a conference, it is not open to the public. Only official chaperones will be allowed into the performance venue.

We will perform a preview concert for our friends and family on January 11, 2024 at 7pm at Alpharetta Presbyterian Church. This concert will be free and open to the public.

There is no cost to attend this trip and all students are expected to attend. Please sign below to indicate your consent for your child to travel with us and include phone numbers where we could reach you during the trip should an emergency arise.

Student name: _____ Student Cell: _____

Parent name: _____ Cell: _____

2nd Emergency Contact: _____ Cell: _____

Parent Signature: _____