



## Florida Bandmasters Association North Site State Concert Band Music Performance Assessment

The University of North Florida School of Music welcomes you to our campus for the Florida Bandmasters Association State Concert Band Music Performance Assessment! We are very much looking forward to hosting you here and offering the opportunity to perform in our beautiful Lazzara Performing Arts Hall. I will be your host during your visit, Tim Groulx, Professor of Music Education. Our music education majors will assist throughout the day as escorts, announcers, runners, and serving in other needed capacities. I have provided for you below information pertaining to logistics, navigation, parking, dining, building map, and contact information.

**Navigation:** The University of North Florida is easily accessed from major highways. From Interstate 10 or 95, get onto Interstate 295, which circumnavigates the city of Jacksonville. UNF is located at approximately the “3 o’clock” position of I-295; exit 52. After exiting, head east (right if you were heading north on 295, left if you were heading south on 295). The road goes directly into campus. See accompanying document for directions for buses, for drop-off, parking, and pickup.

**Director check-in:** the FBA site office will be in the School of Music room 2011 (upstairs from performance areas, adjacent to music offices). Warm-up will take place for alternating time slots in 1404 and 1420. Student guides will assist directors with warm-up rooms and case storage.

**Dining and Concessions:** There are a few options available for meals, whether you are coming earlier in the day or later. The Osprey Café is a short walk from the building where the performances take place. Directors can pay for their groups at the rate of \$12.21 plus tax per person until 4:30pm (if you have a tax-exempt certificate you need to present it). After 4:30pm they switch to dinner service options and the rate becomes \$12.92 + tax per person. If you wish to dine in the Osprey Café, be sure to email [timothy.groulx@unf.edu](mailto:timothy.groulx@unf.edu) with how many will be dining, and approximately what time you plan to have the meal. This is to ensure that the café has the resources needed for a larger-than-typical meal service. Consequently, there is no need to pay in advance, but be sure to have payment ready on-site. The advantage of the Osprey Café is that your group can easily sit together, there are multiple choices of cuisine, diet, and taste. There are usually several stations, including a grill, hot meals, pizza, sandwich bar, salad bar, and dessert bar, all you can eat. An alternative meal option would be to take the bus a short distance to the St. Johns Town Center, a massive open-air mall with plenty of restaurant options you can research at your leisure.

**Concessions:** Some items will be available during the breaks between listening blocks only. Please let students and parents know that it would be wise to bring small bills. While the menu is not yet finalized, expect items such as water, Gatorade, soda, candy, chips, and similar items. Proceeds go to the University of North Florida’s Collegiate Chapter of the National Association for Music Education to attend professional development activities such as attending Florida Music Educators Association Conferences.

### **Percussion equipment on performance stage (Please note that there is not likely to be percussion equipment available in the warm-up rooms)**

Set of 4 timpani	Concert bass drum	Chimes	Grand Piano (upon request)
4.3-octave marimba	Vibraphone	Xylophone	Glockenspiel

**Site Host Contact Information:** [Timothy.groulx@unf.edu](mailto:Timothy.groulx@unf.edu)  
personal cell: (813) 385-6596 (please save this contact for any needs on the day of the event)

We look forward to seeing you here, and good luck in your final weeks of preparation!