

ALL-STATE FESTIVAL 2020 INFORMATION

Please read this entire document carefully

FEES/INVOICE and SCHOOL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORMS DUE BY- Wednesday, April 15, 2020.

REGISTRATION FEES/INVOICE FORM DIRECTIONS:

- ❖ A fee of **\$385.00** per student includes meals, housing, music and all festival expenses.
- ❖ **Checks** (NO purchase orders) are to be made payable to: **PMEA**.
- ❖ The Registration Fee may also be paid with a credit card (all major credit cards accepted) however a convenience fee of \$10.00 per student will be incurred. You will still need to mail the completed Invoice Form for EACH participating student to the PMEA Office.
- ❖ **A mailing envelope to PMEA (56 S. Third St. Hamburg, PA 19526) is included in the student folder. A completed Invoice Form should accompany the check.** If there are multiple student registrations covered by one check, a completed invoice for EACH student to be covered by the payment **must be** included with the mailing.
- ❖ ***CHECKS and completed invoices going to the PMEA office may ALL be mailed together at the conclusion of the LAST REGION FESTIVAL (BAND) in order to include ALL students from your school attending the All-State Festival***

SCHOOL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM DIRECTIONS:

- ❖ Complete School Acknowledgement Form(s) and include Principal and Director's signature. **Acknowledgement Forms are ENSEMBLE SPECIFIC and found in the student's All-State folder.**
- ❖ **A mailing Envelope to the All-State Festival Coordinator (P.O. Box 1309 Meadville, PA 16335) is included in the student folder.**
- ❖ *** Completed School Acknowledgement forms (ENSEMBLE SPECIFIC) may ALL be mailed together to P.O. Box 1309 Meadville, PA 16335 (or emailed to allstate@pmea.net) at the conclusion of the LAST REGION FESTIVAL (BAND) in order to include ALL students from your school attending the All-State Festival** Would also need to include the Director(s) who will be accompanying student(s) to Festival.*

MEDICAL ADMINISTRATION RECORD FORMS:

- ❖ **If your child needs to be given medication during the PMEA Festival, a separate Medication Administration Record form for each medication to be administered must be completed including Licensed Prescriber's Signature. The Med. Admin. Form may be downloaded by going to the PMEA Website- www.pmea.net, Scroll to "Conferences and Events" and click on "PMEA All-State Information".**
- ❖ PMEA will accept a copy of the Medical Administration Form on file with your school district for medications taken **during the school day** including Action Plans (as long as consent has been given for the form to be used).

- ❖ A separate Medical Administration Form for EACH medication, including over the counter medications may need to be completed for medications which are **not on file at the school and**

are normally dispensed at home, especially morning and evening medications. See above information to download Medical Administration record Form.

- ❖ Medications in their original package AND the completed Medical Administration Form for each including “over the counter medications” such as Ibuprofen, Antacids, etc. must be placed in a Ziploc baggie with the student’s full name and ensemble marked in Sharpie. **Nurses will be on site to collect and review medication orders at the Instrumental Audition site-(Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, Orchestra), Rehearsal site-(Jazz and Vocal Jazz) and Chorus Announcement Site.**

STUDENT LODGING: Wednesday, April 22, 2020 - HOTEL CHECK-IN begins at 2:30 pm.

- ❑ **ALL Students will be housed at the Kalahari Resort & Conference Center - 250 Kalahari Blvd. Pocono Manor, PA 18349.**
- ❑ There will be NO Luggage trucks at the Instrumental audition site OR the Jazz/ Vocal Jazz Rehearsal site due to the close proximity of the schools to the Kalahari Resort.

STUDENT AUDITION REGISTRATION

AUDITION SIGN-IN REMINDER: ONLY Directors or their designated proxies may register and sign-in students for their auditions. The Hotel Registration at the Kalahari Resorts for students is a separate registration. Students are permitted to sign-in for their hotel registration and obtain room keys (wristbands).

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY as some instructions have changed from past years!

- ❖ **JAZZ and VOCAL JAZZ REGISTRATION- 4:00 pm-5:15 pm** AT Pocono Mountain West HS (181 Panther Lane Pocono Summit, PA 18346).
- ❖ Directors are to transport their students and music instruments/equipment to the rehearsal site. (NO Bus from Kalahari). Directors of these participating students are exempt from further auditions!
- ❖ 5:30 pm- Meeting with Host Mr. Jeff Mark and Jazz/Vocal Jazz Chaperones in Auditorium, introduction of Guest Conductors and downbeat is at 6:00 pm.
- ❖ **INSTRUMENTAL (BAND, WIND ENSEMBLE, ORCHESTRA) AUDITION REGISTRATION TIMES- 3:45 pm - 5:45 pm** AT Pocono Mountain East HS 231 Pocono Mountain School Road Swiftwater, PA 18370. (Mr. Tim Eick- Host Director) Directors are responsible for student transportation to the Audition site. (NO luggage truck is available)
- ❖ 6:00 pm Directors report to assigned rooms to choose audition excerpts. Also, meeting with tabs, runners, sgt at arms, and holding room monitors with Instrumental Auditions to follow. (Fran Nesta, PMEA All-State Audition Coordinator).
- ❖ **CHORAL REGISTRATION- 4:00 pm- 6:00 pm** in the designated room at the Kalahari Resort & Conference Center. Students will receive information at Hotel Check-In.
- ❖ 6:30 pm- Meeting with Host Ms. Katye Clogg, Chorus Chaperones and Nurses in Main Designated Room at Kalahari. (Roll will be taken).
- ❖ Rules and AUDITION results will be read at this time. At conclusion of Meeting, CHORUS students have options for the evening including- swimming, arcade, board games, etc. but must stay in the Main Building. 9:00 pm- students are to report back to Main designated room- roll will be taken and students will be escorted by their Chaperones back to their hotel rooms.

REGISTRATION FEES DO NOT INCLUDE A MEAL ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2020.

PMEA ALL-STATE REHEARSAL SITES

- ❑ Jazz and Vocal Jazz-Pocono Mountain West HS- 181 Panther Lane, Pocono Summit 18346
- ❑ Chorus- East Stroudsburg HS-South- 279 North Courtland St. East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
- ❑ Concert Band- Pocono Mountain East HS- 231 Pocono Mountain School Rd. Swiftwater 18370
- ❑ Wind Ensemble- Pocono Mountain East JHS 125 Center Court, Swiftwater 18370
- ❑ Orchestra-Stroudsburg HS 1100 Main St. Stroudsburg 18360

PMEA DIRECTOR ALL- STATE CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

- ❖ Directors may register for the 2020 PMEA All-State Conference beginning Wednesday, April 22 from 3:00 pm- 9:00 pm at the Kalahari Resorts. Conference Registration will also open at 7:00 AM Thursday, April 23.

GENERAL INFORMATION: www.pmea.net Scroll over the “Conferences and Events” menu option and select the “PMEA All-State Information” link.

- ❖ **The festival begins with All-State registration on Wednesday, April 22 and concludes at the end of the students’ ensemble performance.**
- ❖ **Students, Parents and Directors may access the PMEA All-State Information website without a log-in.**
- ❖ **CONDUCTOR NOTES, AUDIO LINKS** are found in the PMEA All-State Information section of the PMEA website at www.pmea.net. Look for your specific Ensemble.
- ❖ PMEA is NOT responsible for meals with any ensembles on Wednesday, April 22. PMEA will provide a snack on Wednesday evening after auditions and rehearsal (Jazz and Vocal Jazz). There will be **NO** food available at the student hotel upon returning from Instrumental auditions Wednesday evening. Students are encouraged to bring their own snacks!.
- ❖ **Students are NOT permitted in the hotel lobbies after returning each night from auditions and rehearsals. They are to go directly to their assigned rooms and follow Chaperone instructions.**
- ❖ **THURSDAY EVENING- April 23- 7:30 pm-9:15 pm. Students are tentatively schedule to attend the featured concert as part of the 2020 PMEA Annual In-service Conference (at the Kalahari Conference Center).**
- ❖ **FRIDAY EVENING- April 24- Jazz and Vocal Jazz Concert- 7:30 pm (Pocono Mountain West HS).**
Chorus students will have their final rehearsal and sound check at Kalahari Resorts from 8:00 pm-9:15 pm.
Concert Band, Wind Ensemble and Orchestra students will help unload instruments and equipment in storage rooms at Kalahari Resorts- 8:00 pm. **Activities including Swimming, Arcade, Board Games.**

CONCERT/TICKET INFORMATION- SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2020

- ❖ Concert ticket information including the online order link, recording, photography, and Pep Wear order forms are included in the student folder as well as their respective ENSEMBLE Pages on the PMEA website.
- ❖ **To ORDER TICKETS for the ALL- STATE Concerts: <https://www.ticketor.com/pmea>**
Tickets are available ONLINE up to the start of the Concert Event. All tickets are non-refundable.

CONCERTS

JAZZ and VOCAL JAZZ- Friday, April 24- 7:30 pm Pocono Mountain West HS (181 Panther Lane Pocono Summit, PA 18346

WIND ENSEMBLE and CHORUS- Saturday, April 25- 11:00 am Kalahari Resort (250 Kalahari Blvd. Pocono Manor, PA 18349.

CONCERT BAND and ORCHESTRA- Saturday, April 25- 4:00 pm Kalahari Resort (250 Kalahari Blvd. Pocono Manor, PA 18349.

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

2020 NafME All-National Honors Ensembles-November 4-7, 2020 in Orlando, Florida. Sophomores and Juniors in the 2020 PMEA All-State Ensembles are eligible to apply. **Further information including application requirements and required audition repertoire may be accessed by going to NafME's site: <https://nafme.org/programs/all-national-honor-ensembles/> .**

2021 NafME Eastern Division Honors Ensembles - April 22-25, 2021 in Hartford CT. **More information including excerpt auditions for specific instruments will be posted soon. (Chorus, Jazz, Vocal Jazz, Violas and Cellos will not have an excerpt to complete, however these students will need to fill out an application form.**

STUDENT DRESS:

- ❖ **REHEARSALS** - school clothing which is appropriate!! **Hats are not to be worn during rehearsals.**

CONCERT:

- ❖ ***Jazz/Vocal Jazz:*** Men – dark suits and ties, Ladies – dark dresses of appropriate length and shoulders covered
 - ❖ ***Concert Band/Wind Ensemble:*** School Concert Uniform - no Drum Major or Band Front uniforms
 - ❖ ***Orchestra:*** **FORMAL BLACK & WHITE!!** Long black dress for the ladies is preferred – shoulders covered – black dress pants are acceptable
 - ❖ ***Chorus:*** Choir Robes, **Choir please note: blue jeans, sneakers, sweatshirts are not acceptable under your robes. Please dress professionally.**
- ❖ THIS YEAR, All-State students may participate in the swimming activities at the Kalahari Resorts. A reminder that appropriate swimming apparel is REQUIRED and will be enforced.

MUSIC:

- ❖ **All permissions to copy music have been granted or are in the rights of the Public Domain.**
- ❖ **Instrumental Ensembles may require special instrumentation including English Horn and Soprano Saxophone. Reminders have been placed in individual student folders. Please read the instructions and respond accordingly by the deadline date of Wednesday, April 8, 2020.**
- ❖ **All part substitutions are marked clearly on individual pieces of music**
- ❖ **Please take time to read and follow conductor notes or go to the PMEA website- www.pmea.net, Scroll to Conferences and Events and then click on PMEA All-State Information. From there, go to your specific Ensemble for Conductor notes and recordings.**
- ❖ **Color clarinets and string basses – please bring your chairs and have them clearly marked.**
- ❖ **ALL MUSIC will be collected at the conclusion of each concert – you have been assigned a numbered folder and will confirm the folder number at Audition Registration/Rehearsal on Wednesday evening. Students will be financially responsible (\$50) for ANY music not returned (Xerox copies included) – any markings MUST be made in pencil.**

REMEMBER, THIS IS AN EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE. ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW ALL GUIDELINES SET FORTH BY THEIR HOSTS AND PMEA!!!