

TPSMEA Orchestra Newsletter

September Updates

Message from the VP

I hope everyone is having a wonderful beginning to the school year. You will be receiving a monthly newsletter with updates and information regarding the TPSMEA Orchestra Division. Please read the newsletter thoroughly and feel free to contact me with any questions.

As we enter our audition season, you should have received an email from Ron Matthews regarding payments for TPSMEA. It is important that parents are not paying individual fees. Payments should come from the individual school or TPSMEA member. Please be mindful that it is very difficult to track payments when we do not follow protocol.

I look forward to meeting and working with all of you to create meaningful events for our students.

Best,

Charlsie Griffiths

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All-State Orchestra Updates

Our All-State Clinician will be **Thomas Taylor Dickey** from Oklahoma State University.
Bio to be provided at a later time

All-State Etudes and Cuts are listed on the TPSMEA Website.

If you enter a student, you will be required to judge the online entries during the adjudication weekend. If you have any questions regarding this policy, please reference the handbook on the TPSMEA website. Dates are available on the TPSMEA orchestra division calendar.



North Region Middle School Honor and High School All- Region Updates

The clinician for the North Region Middle School Honor Orchestra will be retired Orchestra Director, **Debra Scott**.
Bio to be provided closer to the event.

The clinician for the North Region High School All-Region Orchestra will be **Christopher Frank** from Poteet High School in Mesquite ISD.
Bio to be provided closer to the event.

Audition Cuts will be made available middle of October.

Event Coordinators:
MS Coordinator: Yung-Fang Ludford from the Hockaday School
HS Coordinator: Sarah Choi from the St. Marks School

Location: TPSMEA North Region Middle School Honors and High School All-Region Orchestras will be hosted by [The Hockaday School on February 25.](#)

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Central Region Solo and Ensemble Contest Update

The date for this event has been changed to Saturday, March 25th at St. Andrew's Episcopal School.

Cate Gasco is the festival contact. This will be changed on the TPSMEA Calendar.

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