

TPSMEA Orchestra Division Updates

January 2023

Message from the VP

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone is having a wonderful start to 2023. This spring semester is full of TPSMEA events, schools events, and a very fast pace to the end of the school year. Please look out for our monthly updates which are also posted on the TPSMEA Orchestra Division page. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me, my contact information is at the bottom of this newsletter. I look forward to seeing many of you at All-State and wish you all a Happy New Year.

Best,
Charlsie

All-State Information

Action items prior to clinic and convention.

1. Rooming List has been sent to Ron Matthews
2. Participation and Music Fees have been paid. (While you may collect these fees from your families, everything should be paid by the school in one payment)
3. Code of Conduct Forms uploaded prior to attending (students will not be allowed to participate until this form is complete)
4. Music printed and handed to your students for seating auditions. If you have a student attending all-state and have not received this, please send me an email ASAP.
5. Notified VP (me) of any students not attending no later than January 16 per our handbook.
6. Notified VP of any 4 year All-State Students
7. Check the spelling of your students on the All-State Results Roster. We will be using these names for the program. Send me any changes by Friday, January 13.

Clinic and Concert items:

1. **Students need to bring a wire stand or a stand for rehearsal**
2. Students are required to wear their all-state badges at all times
3. Directors will be required to participate in a chair placement panel on Thursday (I will send out panels ahead of time)
4. Directors will be required to assist with set up and break down of the orchestra rehearsal venue on Thursday and Saturday

5. Directors will be required to assist with orchestra performance events on Saturday.

Please sign up for positions here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D49A4A929ABF49-tpsmea1>

Notes on the music: In the Mendelssohn, Violas should prepare both parts as we have not divided the section until after chair placement. *"The goal tempo for Vivid is quarter note equals 100 for the allegro energetico, Vivace, and tempo primo. The andantino, andante misterioso, and maestoso sections will be almost half tempo."*

North Region: High School All-Region and Middle School Honors Orchestra

Location at the Hockaday School on February 25

Concert 4:00 pm

Clinicians:

Middle School- Debra Scott

High School: Christopher Frank

Audition Upload through www.Opusevent.com

Deadline for entries and upload on February 1 by 11:59 pm

Please remember if you enter a student in this contest, you will be expected to judge this event. There will be a judges meeting at 4:00 pm on February 3rd. Because of the turn-around time between entries and adjudication, you may not receive your panel placement until February 3rd in the morning.

Audition music may be found here:

Middle School Directors: The tempo of the Allegro should be between 92-102 to the quarter note.

Solo and Ensemble Information

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Central Region: March 25- St. Andrews Episcopal School- Cate Gasco cgasco@sasaustin.org

Entry Deadline: February 15

East Region: March 3- Bishop Gorman-Tina Beason- tbeason@bishopgorman.net

Entry Deadline: February 1

North Region: March 4- Greenhill School- Brian Donnell- Donnellb@Greenhill.org

Entry Deadline: February 15

South Region: April 15- St. Thomas High School- Donald Theode Donald.theode@sthas.org contact

Entry Deadline: March 22

State Solo and Ensemble: May 27- Fort Worth Country Day- Eric Fuller

Entry Deadline: May 6

You will need to enter your students through www.Solo-Ensemble.com

Please use the Prescribed Music list for your music selections for this contest

www.uiltexas.org/pml/

Please reference rules and procedures for solo and ensemble in our handbook on page beginning on page 56. <https://www.tpsmea.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/TPSMEA-Handbook-of-Policy-and-Procedures-22.0.1.pdf>

Concert and Sight-Reading Contest

North Region Concert and Sight-Reading Festival- April 13-14

Bishop Lynch High School

Contact: Andrew Balettie

South Region Concert and Sight-Reading Festival- April 13


Strake Jesuit


Contact: Sean Burke


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