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Dear Orchestra Director,

We are pleased to announce that the **2022 PMEA District 1 Elementary String Fest** will be hosted by the East Allegheny and South Fayette School Districts on **Friday, April 22, 2022**. We are excited to provide this opportunity again for you and your students. The festival will be co-hosted by East Allegheny orchestra director, Steve Ehrlich and South Fayette Intermediate School orchestra director, Christina Crivelli. Check-in for the festival will begin at 8:15 AM followed by a director's meeting at 9:00 AM. The concert is scheduled for 7:00 PM on Friday, April 22, 2022.

The festival will take place at East Allegheny High School, 1150 Jacks Run Road, North Versailles, PA 15137. We are delighted to announce that Dr. Alexandra Dee will be our guest conductor this year. Dr. Dee is the director of Orchestral Studies and assistant professor of violin and viola at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. An accomplished violinist, arranger, and world-traveled conductor, Dr. Dee also serves as the IUP Symphony Orchestra conductor. I am excited for our students to have the opportunity to work with Dr. Dee.

Enclosed in this mailing are two student application forms and one director's information form. Please print these forms (double-sided) as needed. The PMEA District 1 Fest policies located on the back of the student application form should be read to the students who are applying for the festival. It is assumed that the directors, parents, students, and administrators agree to abide by all festival policies in order to be considered for participation. Please also make sure that your applicants are aware of the requirement that students must attend all rehearsals and the concert in order to participate in the festival.

On the director's application form, please be sure to include your school email address, as we will be communicating with directors through email for future correspondence.

Please also send a photocopy of your current PMEA membership card with your applications. The deadline for application is **December 6, 2021**. Please mail all applications to:

South Fayette Intermediate School
Attn: Christina Crivelli
PMEA District 1 Elementary String Fest
1200 Lt Will Way
McDonald, PA 15057

If you have any questions or concerns, please email us at Cmcrivelli@southfayette.org or Schrlich@eawildcats.net. We look forward to seeing you and your students in April!

Sincerely,

Christina Crivelli and Steve Ehrlich



PMEA District 1 Elementary Fests DIRECTOR'S INFORMATION FORM

*to be returned with Student Applications for
PMEA District 1 Elementary Band/Sing/Strings Fests*

CHECK ONE:

- Elementary Sing West Elementary Strings Elementary Band Allegheny West Elementary Band Fayette/Greene
- Elementary Sing East Elementary Band Allegheny East Elementary Band Washington

Director's Name (please print) _____

Today's Date _____

Director's Signature _____

Please bring NAfME/PMEA card! *Students cannot audition without the attendance of their school director who is a current PMEA member.*

School District _____

School Building _____

School Street Address _____

School City/State _____ Zip Code _____ County _____

School Phone _____ Extension _____ School Fax _____

School E-Mail _____

Home Street _____

Home City/State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Home E-Mail _____

Cell Phone _____ PDE Professional ID # _____

Would you like to serve on the Selection Committee? YES NO

List your students in the order that you recommend they be considered by the Selection Committee:

Name (attach sheet for additional students)

Instrument/Vocal Part

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PMEA District 1 Elementary Fests STUDENT APPLICATION FORM

*to be submitted with Director's Information Form for
PMEA District 1 Elementary Band/Sing/Strings Fests*

CHECK ONE:

- Elementary Sing West
 Elementary Strings
 Elementary Band Allegheny West
 Elementary Band Fayette/Greene
 Elementary Sing East
 Elementary Band Allegheny East
 Elementary Band Washington

Fest Location _____ Fest Date _____

Student's Name (print neatly) _____ Grade _____ Age _____

Boy
 Girl
 Height (inches) _____ Age _____ Voice Part/Instrument _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Street Address _____

City/State _____ Zip Code _____ Home Phone _____

Teacher's Name _____ School District _____

Today's Date _____

School Building _____

Please read and sign PMEA District 1 Fest Policies on reverse side before submitting

Student Recommendation (to be completed by teacher)

<i>Level of Student Achievement (please check)</i>	<i>Superior</i>	<i>Very Good</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>	<i>Comments</i>
ATTENTION SPAN						
GENERAL BEHAVIOR						
MUSICAL APTITUDE						
MUSICAL KNOWLEDGE						
MUSICIANSHIP						
TONE QUALITY						
RHYTHM						
PITCH DISCRIMINATION						
MUSIC READING SKILLS						

Additional Remarks Helpful to Selection Committee:

PMEA District 1 Fest Policies

revised by the PMEA District 1 Executive Board, August 2008

I. Directors are reminded that they are only guaranteed **one** student participant in District One Fests (as long as they are currently a PMEA member in good standing, follow the fest regulations and submit their applications and registration fees within the host's deadlines). No guarantee can be made to the number or ranking of students accepted or parts that are selected. Directors are encouraged to submit many student applications and a **variety** of instrumental/vocal types.

II. The sponsoring director is **required** to accompany students attending PMEA elementary and middle school fest events. In the case of an emergency or other exceptional circumstance, the sponsoring director will contact the District C/I Chair for permission to send a substitute. This substitute must be a PMEA member.

III. Students **must** participate in the COMPLETE fest program—all meetings, musical rehearsals, performances, auditions, social activities, meals, etc.—commencing with registration and concluding with the final concert, only allowing for the following exceptions: 1) illness (must have doctor's excuse), 2) death-in-the-family, 3) pre-approved "once-in-a-lifetime" events for a maximum of four hours. The student's parent or director must in person notify the host the moment the student leaves any activity of the fest. Any absence must be excused in advance by the PMEA District President. Students must perform all musical compositions selected for the concert. State and local PMEA policy dictates that, in order for a student to be excused from any part of the fest due to illness, the absence "... **must be verified in writing by a physician within five days of the fest.**"

IV. Students are advised that absolutely NO SMOKING or ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES will be permitted during the fest. Possession of any contraband substance, smoking in the building or on school grounds, tardiness or unexcused absence from any activity of the music fest, displays of disrespect, uncooperative attitude, **NOT knowing the music**, or any other behavior which may be detrimental to the success of the fest or safety of the students, staff or PMEA members, will be cause for immediate dismissal at any time. Students who are sent home for any disciplinary infraction of a PMEA policy or host school rule will become ineligible to participate in future PMEA fests for the remainder of the school year.

V. Students who apply for any District, Region or All-State PMEA Festivals or Fests must provide their own personal medical insurance (e.g. Blue Cross, school plan, or other carrier) and instrument (loss or accidental damage) insurance.

VI. It is illegal to record (audio or video) PMEA-sponsored concerts!

We, the undersigned (below), have read and agree to abide by all of the above PMEA District One policies. The **Parent/Guardian** grants permission for their son or daughter to participate in PMEA District, Region or State events and will not hold PMEA or its members responsible for any unforeseen accident, illness or loss of property during or in transit to/from these events. The **School Principal** certifies that the student applicant is academically eligible to participate in a fest and is of good character. The **Director** certifies that the above student is a member in good standing in the school's music program.

Director's Signature and Date

Principal's Signature and Date

Student Applicant's Signature and Date

Parent/Guardian's Signature and Date