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Dear Colleague:

We are pleased to announce that the 2022 PMEA District 1 Jr. High Band Festival (West) will be co-hosted by Nick Deutsch (Avella Area Jr./Sr. High School) and Eryn Carranza (South Fayette High School). The festival will take place on Friday, April 22 and Saturday, April 23, 2022 at South Fayette High School.

We are excited to be able to offer this valuable music experience once again and we are thrilled that Dr. Travis Weller, composer and Director of Music Education at Messiah University, will serve as our guest conductor. The students are going to love working with Dr. Weller!

Once the ensemble has been selected, you will receive a detailed schedule; however, for your planning purposes, check-in for the festival on Friday, April 22 will begin at 8:15 a.m. and we will begin seating the ensemble at 8:45 a.m. Rehearsal will begin at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 4:00 p.m. On Saturday, April 23 rehearsal will begin at 9:00 a.m. and the festival will conclude with a concert at 2:00 p.m. Additionally, please remember, the director must be in attendance for registration and the director's meeting, which will begin at 9:30 a.m., on Friday, April 22, 2022.

Attached is a director application and student application. The festival policies found on the back of the student application must be read and agreed upon by the director, parents, principals, and students in order to be considered for participation. Please make certain that your applicants are aware of the requirement that they must attend all sessions and concerts of the entire festival.

The deadline for applications is Monday, January 24, 2022. Please be sure to include a copy of your PMEA membership card with your director and student applications. Applications should be sent to the following address:

Avella Jr./Sr. High School
Attn: Nick Deutsch
1000 Avella Rd.
Avella, PA 15312

We look forward to hosting you and your students! Nick Deutsch will be the primary contact for this festival. Please feel free to contact him with any questions or concerns that you might have.

Sincerely,

Nick Deutsch
deutschn@avellasd.org

Eryn Carranza
ekcarranza@southfayette.org



PMEA District 1 Junior & Senior High Festivals

STUDENT APPLICATION FORM

Check all that apply:

- ☐ Senior High (Grades 10, 11, 12)
☐ Band ☐ Chorus

- ☐ Junior High (Grades 7, 8, 9)
☐ Orchestra ☐ Honors Choir (Grades 9-12)

Festival Name

Festival Location & Date

Instrument/Voice Part (Include I or II)

School Name

Student's Name (please print legibly)

Age

Grade

Gender

Student Street Address

Student's City/State

Zip Code

Home Phone

Height (choral only) _____ feet _____ Inches School Director's Name _____

Do you study privately? ☐ NO ☐ YES: Instrument/Voice: _____ How many years? _____

Participation in other PMEA Festivals and school/community music groups? _____

We, the undersigned (below), have read and agree to abide by all PMEA District 1 policies on the reverse side. 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 the above festival. The **School Principal** certifies that the above student is academically eligible to participate in a festival and is of good character. The **Director** certifies that the above student is a member in good standing in the school's performing organization.

Director's Signature and Date

Principal's Signature and Date

Student Applicant's Signature and Date

Parent/Guardian's Signature and Date

Director's Evaluation Form (students do not write below)

Ranking on Director's Form: ☐ 1. ☐ 2. ☐ 3. ☐ 4. ☐ 5. ☐ 6. ☐ 7. ☐ 8. ☐ 9. ☐ 10. ☐ _____

<i>Level of Student Achievement</i> (please check)	<i>Superior</i>	<i>Very Good</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Comments</i>
TONE					
TECHNIQUE					
INTONATION					
RHYTHM					
MUSICIANSHIP					
COOPERATION					

Additional Remarks Helpful to Selection Committee:

PMEA DISTRICT 1 FESTIVAL POLICIES

Revised by the PMEA District 1 Executive Board, August 2008

- I. Directors who fail to send a photocopy of their current NAFME/PMEA membership card with the student and director applications forfeit the right to have their students considered for the festival!
- II. Directors are reminded that they are only guaranteed **one** student participant in District festivals (as long as they are currently a PMEA member in good standing, follow the festival 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.
- III. The sponsoring director is **required** to accompany students attending PMEA [elementary and] middle school festival 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.
- IV. Students **must** participate in the COMPLETE festival 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 a doctor's excuse), 2) death-in-the-family, 3) pre-approved "once-in-a-lifetime" events for a maximum of four hours, or 4) participants in the Bands of America, Grand National Championship Festival in Indianapolis. The student's parent or director must in person notify the host the moment the student leaves any activity of the festival. 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 festival due to illness, the absence "**must be verified in writing by a physician within five days of the festival.**"
- V. Students **are not** permitted to drive to or from a PMEA SHS Honors, District, Region, All-State or JHS festival.
- VI. Students are advised that absolutely NO SMOKING or ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES will be permitted during the festival. Possession of any contraband substance, smoking in the building or on school grounds, tardiness or unexcused absence from any activity of the music festival, displays of disrespect, uncooperative attitude, **NOT knowing the music**, or any other behavior which may be detrimental to the success of the festival 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 festival for the remainder of the school year.
- VII. SENIOR HIGH FESTIVALS: All students will audition for festival seating and/or future festival participation. Failure to audition by any student will result in **immediate expulsion** from the festival!
- VIII. ALL SENIOR HIGH FESTIVALS, JHS BAND and JHS ORCHESTRA: **All directors must be available to serve as judges and/or accompanists for student auditions at all SHS festivals, Honors and JHS Orchestra. Attendance to the Director's Meeting is required.** If director (or a qualified substitute who is a current PMEA member) is absent from auditions at a SHS District event, his/her students will be seated in the chairs which they earned, but they will be ineligible for the subsequent regional festival. In emergency situations, the District President may excuse a director from participating in auditions. Students selected to participate in JHS Orchestra and JHS Band East must be accompanied by their instrumental director/instructor who is a current PMEA member.
- IX. Students who apply for any PMEA festival must provide their own personal medical insurance (e.g. Blue Cross, school plan, or other carrier) and instrument (loss or accidental damage) insurance.
- X. It is illegal to record (audio or video) PMEA-sponsored concerts!
- XI. Wind, brass and percussion players will be selected for District SHS Orchestra on the basis of Honors Band auditions. Additional applications for SHS Orchestra will be considered.
- XII. **A student must participate in his/her own school organization in order to be eligible to participate in District, Honors, Regional, State, All-Eastern and National events** (band for band, chorus for chorus, orchestra for orchestra). The only exception shall be if his/her high school lacks said organization.



PMEA District 1 Junior & Senior High Festivals DIRECTOR'S INFORMATION FORM

*to be returned with Student Applications for
PMEA District 1 Band, Chorus, & Orchestra Festivals*

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sr. High School (Grades 9, 10, 11, 12) Honors Choir | <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. High School (Grades 7, 8, 9) Chorus |
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Director's Name (please print) _____

Director's Signature _____ Today's Date _____

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

School Building _____ School District _____

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 # _____

What is your principal instrument/voice part? _____

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

	Name (attach sheet for additional students)	Auditioned at Honors		Section	Part
		Band	Orch		
1.	_____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
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10.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
11.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
12.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
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11.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
12.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
13.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
14.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____