August 31, 2018

Dear Fellow Choral Directors,

We are pleased to host this year’s 2018 PMEA Honors Chorus Festival on Oct. 26th and 27th at Baldwin High School. Our guest conductors will be Dr. Christopher Kiver for the Men’s Ensemble and Mrs. Jayne Glocke for the Women’s Ensemble.

Dr. Kiver conducts the Penn State Concert Choir and Glee Club while overseeing the graduate choral conducting program. He is founder and director of The Orpheus Singers and serves as Director of Music at the University Baptist and Brethren Church in State College. Kiver is a graduate of the University of London, Florida State University and the University of Michigan where he received the D.M.A. in choral conducting. Dr. Kiver is national chair for the Repertoire and Standards Committee on Male Choirs for the American Choral Directors Association, and a past-president of the Pennsylvania chapter of ACDA.

Jayne Glocke holds a bachelor's degree in vocal music education as well as a master's degree in choral conducting and choral literature from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. While at Madison, she studied conducting with Robert Fountain and voice with Ilona Kombrink. An active guest conductor and choral clinician, Glocke currently conducts the Penn State Oriana Singers and Campus Choir, and is the director of the Honors Music Institute.

Please be sure your students are aware of the festival commitments by having them read the PMEA District 1 Festival Policies. On Friday, Oct. 26th- Check-in will begin at 8 a.m. Rehearsal and the Director’s meeting will begin at 9 a.m. Auditions will take place. The day will end by 4 p.m. On Saturday, Oct. 27th- rehearsal will begin at 9 a.m. and the concert will take place at 2 p.m.

Please complete the accompanying forms as needed: The Director’s Information Form and the Student Honors Choir Applications. Once we receive your form and applications, our selection committee will meet to choose the participants.

Please include a copy of your PMEA Membership. Online vocal practice tracks will be provided.

Forms are due no later than Friday, Sept. 14th. You may scan and email the completed forms. Word-Enterable forms are available at https://district1.pmea.net/forms.

Checklist:

- Director’s Information Form
- Honors Application for each interested student (specify ensemble: Women’s or Men’s)
- Copy of your current PMEA Membership

Please send all paperwork to:

Nathan Hart
nhart@rsd.k12.pa.us
Riverview Jr./Sr. High School
100 Hulton Rd.
Oakmont, PA 15139

Send any questions to:

Kris Tranter
ktranter@bwschools.net
Baldwin High School
4653 Clairton Blvd.
Pittsburgh, PA 15236

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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

- Sr. High School (Grades 9, 10, 11, 12) Honors Choir
- Sr. High School (Grades 10, 11, 12) Band
- Sr. High School (Grades 10, 11, 12) Orchestra
- Jr. High School (Grades 7, 8, 9) Chorus
- Jr. High School (Grades 7, 8, 9) Band
- Jr. High School (Grades 7, 8, 9) Orchestra

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:

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PMEA District 1 Junior & Senior High Festivals
STUDENT APPLICATION FORM

PMEA Honors Chorus Festival

October 26th and 27th, 2019

Festival Location & Date

Women’s Ensemble:
Instrument/Voice Part (Include I or II)

Student’s Name (please print legibly)

Age

School Name

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. □

Level of Student Achievement (please check)

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Additional Remarks Helpful to Selection Committee:

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Check all that apply:
□ Senior High (Grades 10, 11, 12)  □ Junior High (Grades 7, 8, 9)
□ Band  □ Orchestra  □ Honors Choir (Grades 9-12)

PMEA Honors Chorus Festival
Festival Name

Men’s Ensemble:
Instrument/Voice Part (Include I or II)

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? ______

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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 fest/ival 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.

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