

Pennsylvania Music Educators Association

DISTRICT 1 NEWSLETTER

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District 1 President

Greetings, District 1 members!

As the year has wound down and the final performances are being completed, I have a brief time to reflect on the past year in PMEA and District 1.

As I recall, my topic in last spring's newsletter was change. This is also a summary of PMEA's activities this year, both at the state and district level.

This year's new website has been much easier to update with its web-based and mobile editing options. Please continue to check it for new information throughout the summer. Thanks to Shaun for his constant

This year also marked new procedures in handling festival finances. With all bills to be paid through PMEA, there is a clear picture of festival operations and what funds will needed for future festivals. Thanks to Emily for all of her work in handling all of these fiscal details, as well as her consistent stream of advocacy information. Thanks also to all of the festival and fest hosts for their patience and flexibility in dealing with these new measures.

Additionally, there were new changes in reporting and receiving Act 48 credit. New requirements from PDE made professional development sessions much harder to be approved in 2014. I commend this year's hosts for their flexibility in this as well and Michael, Mairi, Kathy, Ben and Ron for staying up to date on these and possibly future changes to Act 48 matters.

There were also multiple alterations to student medical forms, prescription reporting and dietary needs for student events, as mandated by the Department of Health. These between-festival requirements made for a swift exchange of information given to hosts and directors. Thanks to Lee and Chad for considering these challenges at the state level and getting them out to District 1 directors.

More changes are foreseen with our organization at the state level and within our district. As with this past year, I have confidence that all of us will be able to handle the "rubato".

Have a restful and joyful Summer!





Advocacy representative Emily Wardle's bimonthly newsletter "Conducting Advocacy" featuring accessible advocacy ideas, links to advocacy videos and websites, District 1 advocates, timely events, and other thoughts and ideas about being a proactive advocate for music education can be found in the District 1 Advocacy tab at http://district1.pmea.net/advocacy.htm.

Advocacy Day in Harrisburg (March 26th) was a great success this year! Hopefully you'll be able to make it out next year, as there are bigger and better plans already in the works. Please stay tuned for more information.

NAfME recently released an advocacy initiative called "broader minded" that challenges people to "think beyond the bubbles" of testing and see music for its vast and varied benefits. More information, personal stories, and helpful resources can be found at http://broaderminded.com/. The site will likely be expanding as the movement gains momentum so continue to check in!

Keep an eye out for the new Music National Standards, scheduled to be released in June. These standards should gel marvelously with the Common Core State Standards and will present you with a more aligned, updated vocabulary for use when collaborating, discussing, or presenting the validity of your discipline.

Your advocacy efforts should not cease just because the school year is ending. Use the summer to better yourself as a musician and teacher by learning something new (perhaps attending PMEA's Summer Conference could scratch that itch??) or progressing toward a personal goal. Music advocacy can be demonstrated through your passionate lifelong musical learning and involvement, so get out there and make some music!

If you have any advocacy questions, concerns, or suggestions, please contact Emily Wardle at Emily.s.wardle@gmail.com. Keep in touch!!

Scholarship Winners Announced

Congratulations to the following students who will receive the PMEA District 1 scholarships. Thanks to all of the directors for encouraging their students to apply. These could very well be some of our future PMEA members! Congratulations to:

Eric Homol, Moon Area High School

Charles Croskey, Pine-Richland High School

News from the State Office

National Core Arts Standards to Launch in June 4 Webinar

The National Coalition for Core Arts Standards (NCCAS) will launch the 2014 National Core Arts Standards in a streaming webinar on **Wednesday**, **June 4**, **1:00 to 3:00 p.m**. EDT. The event will feature interviews with a broad spectrum of arts education providers, including certified educators, teaching artists, administrators, national/state policy makers and arts education advocates.



The new standards for dance, media arts, music, theatre, and visual arts were created by seventy writers representing NCCAS's arts education member organizations. More than 6,000 educators, teaching artists, parents, students and state and local focus groups offered input in four national reviews that helped shaped the final standards.

The PreK-12 grade-by-grade standards are intended to guide educators seeking to provide quality arts education for America's students, define artistic literacy, and support 21st century skills and college and career readiness. The arts standards will be housed in the NCCAS website at www.nationalartsstandards.org. A key feature of the interactive website is the option for teachers and other users to create customized standards handbooks that match their curriculum and students' learning needs.

All are welcome to join the National Core Arts Standards webinar launch. To participate, register at http://tinyurl.com/lrsajg9. Sign up will be limited to the first 3,000 registrants. Highlights of the webinar will be available on the website at a later date.

Upcoming Workshop on Core Arts Standards

The Pennsylvania Department of Education along with the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts and PMEA are pleased to sponsor two workshops featuring visiting scholar Bruce Taylor on how arts learning leads PA Core Standards.

A <u>Workshop for Administrators</u> entitled "An Innovative Approach to PA Core Standards" will be held on Monday, June 30 from 1 - 3 p.m. and a full day <u>Workshop for Educators</u> entitled "Common Sense Arts Standards: Art in an Era of School Reform" will be held on Tuesday, July 1 from 8:30 - 4:00 p.m. Registration for both workshops is free and Act 48 credits will be available. Both workshops will be held at the Harrisburg PaTTAN Offices (6340 Flank Dr., Harrisburg, PA 17122). <u>Online Registration</u> is now available.

All-Eastern Deadlines Approaching

The application deadline to participate in a 2015 NAfME Eastern Division Honors Ensembles is Friday, June 6 (online). All applications must be postmarked and mailed with the \$15 application fee by Monday, June 10 to: PMEA, All-Eastern Application, 56 S. Third St., Hamburg, PA, 19526. To access the Online Application, login with your PMEA/NAfME membership number and your first name - all lower case. Be sure to print two copies of the online application, once completed.

The Eastern Division is also currently accepting Session Proposals and Performing Group applications for the conference portion of the event. More Information can be found on the <u>Eastern Division Conference</u> website. **Deadline to apply has been extended to July 1.**

PMEA Looking for its Future Leaders

PMEA is currently accepting <u>Applications</u> for the 2014-15 PMEA Leadership Academy. This program will begin at the 2014 PMEA Summer Conference (July 17-18 at the Holiday Inn Harrisburg-Hershey), includes four written assignments with conference calls through the year and will conclude at the 2015 PMEA Annual Conference, March 26-28 in Hershey. Please see the <u>Leadership Academy</u> section of the PMEA website (under Conferences & Events) for more information. **Application Deadline: Monday, June 16.**

2014 PMEA Summer Conference Information

Mark your calendars now for the 2014 PMEA Summer Conference to be held **Thursday**, **July 17** and **Friday**, **July 18** at the **Holiday Inn Harrisburg-Hershey** in Grantville (right off of I-81, exit 80). Act 48 hours will be available, however the total number will depend on the specific sessions attended (up to a maximum of approximately 9 or 10 hours). Online Registration is available by selecting the "Online Registration" link from the Conferences and Events menu option. A printable form, along with more information, can also be found in the Summer Conference section of the PMEA website under the Conferences and Events menu option.

Wanted - All-State Chaperone Coordinator

A huge thank you to Ralph Egyud, Conneaut Area HS, for his dedication and service as All-State Chaperone Coordinator as the 2014 All-State Festival was his last in serving in this position. Responsibilities of the Chaperone Coordinator include: recruiting and selecting chaperones, supervising chaperone training, coordinating assignment of chaperones during the festival, assisting at the concert site by supervising chaperones, as well as organizing the ensembles, seating, equipment and schedule. Anyone interested in volunteering in this capacity should contact All-State Coordinator Mary Lynne Peters (mlpeters@pmea.net) by Monday, June 16. Please include any chaperone experience related to the position.

AUDITION MUSIC LISTS: What to Prepare and When

Honors Jazz Festival

Auditions on Monday, September 29 at Shady Side Academy starting at 5:00 p.m. (Director's meeting at 4:30 p.m.)

Honors Jazz Festival will be held Friday-Saturday, December 12-13, 2014

Improvisation will be taken from the Jamey Aebersold Vol. 2 "Nothing But the Blues," Track 5 Fast B-Flat Blues.

The following etudes from the Jazz Conception by Jim Snidero will be used for all instruments except drum set:

2014 Friends (Altos use Passage)

Bass Guitar—Use the Bass Lines book
Piano—Use regular not comping book
Bass Trombone—Use Bass Trombone book

Rhythm Section:

Play written part for Intro & Chorus 1 and changes only for Chorus 2. Drums should be prepared to trade fours in any style as defined in *Essential Elements* book p. 27 Vibes should audition using the *piano* book.

Audition Placement Procedures for Honors Jazz Festival

TRUMPET PLACEMENT: Five trumpets will be selected for each Band. The 5th trumpet will double the Tpt IV part and or any trumpet part at the discretion of the Guest Conductor.

Highest scoring Lead trumpet	Band 1	Tpt 1
Second highest scoring Lead trumpet	Band 2	Tpt 1
Highest scoring trumpet (non-lead)	Band 1	Tpt 2
Second highest scoring trumpet (non-lead)	Band 2	Tpt 2
Third highest scoring trumpet	Band 1	Tpt 3
Fourth highest scoring trumpet	Band 2	Tpt 3
Fifth highest scoring trumpet	Band 1	Tpt 4
Sixth highest scoring trumpet	Band 2	Tpt 4
Seventh highest scoring trumpet	Band 1	Tpt 5
Eighth highest scoring trumpet	Band 2	Tpt 5

For all remaining sections the following procedure will be followed:

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Highest scoring Alto Sax	Band 1	Chair 1
Second highest scoring Alto Sax	Band 2	Chair 1
Third highest scoring Alto Sax	Band 1	Chair 2
Fourth Highest scoring Alto Sax	Band 2	Chair 2
Highest scoring Tenor Sax	Band 1	Chair 1
Second highest scoring Tenor Sax	Band 2	Chair 1
Third highest scoring Tenor Sax	Band 1	Chair 2
Fourth highest scoring Tenor Sax	Band 2	Chair 2
Highest Scoring Bari Sax	Band 1	
Second highest scoring Bari Sax	Band 2	

Same procedure will be followed for trombones* and rhythm sections.

Selection of vibe, piano, guitar and bass for each band based upon recommendation of the audition committee.



^{*} In the absence of a Bass trombone audition, the fourth trombone book will be taken in regular order.

Instrument	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
PMEA	District One Hone	ors String Orche	estra Grade Levels = 9 ^t	through 12 th
		onday, September 15 at		-
Violin	Sicilienne and Rigadon by Kreisler/Foley (Publisher: C. Fischer F1057) All of Sicilienne; Rigaudon 'til repeat	Concerto #2 in GM, by Haydn/Kuechler/Peters movement 1, pages 1-2 beginning with solo	Concerto in a minor opus 21 by Reiding/ Bosworth first two pages	Concerto in GM Mozart/ Schirmer, Movement 1 to measure 94
Viola	Sonata in e minor by Marcello/Marchet (Publisher: Int. 2382) mvts. 1 & 2 up to first repeat	Concerto #2 by Seitz/ G. Schirmer, movement 3	Concerto in G Major mvt. 2 by Telemann-International/Katims Edition	Divertimento in CM Mozart/Piatigorsky/ Movement 1, Elkan Vogel
Cello	Tarantella, Op. 23 by Squire (Publisher: C. Fischer B2691) first page until key change	Sonata in GM by Marcello/Starker/ International mvts. 1 & 2	Suite #1 in G Major mvt. 1 by Bach-Fournier/ International	Concerto in em Vivaldi/Dallapiccola- F. XIV n. 5 Rose /International, Mvt 2
String Bass	Gavotte in g minor by Bach/Zimmerman (Publisher: C. Fischer B2465)	Sonata in em by Marcello/ Zimmerman/International, movement 1	L'elephant from Carnival of the Animals by Saint Saëns- Garban/Presser	30 Etudes for the String Bass, Etude #3 Marciale by F. Simandl/Carl Fischer
Р	MEA District One	Honors Band	Grade Levels = 9 th throug	h 12 th
	rict Orchestra Auditions fo			
	be on Monday, October 6			
Flute	Mozart Concerto No. 1 (Publisher: C. Fischer 04185) first movement	Telemann Suite in A Minor, mvt 1; Southern	Chopin Variations on a Theme by Rossini/Rampal	Bach Sonata V in e minor, mvt. 1 & 2
Oboe	Handel Concerto Grosso No. 8 (Publisher: Southern/HL3773789) Adagio & Allegro	Telemann, Sonata in G Minor; Schott	Concerto g min. #3, mvt. 1 & 2, Handel/Southern	Mozart Concerto mvt. 1 Either Boosey & Hawkes or Marx edition
Bassoon	Mozart Concerto (Publisher: C. Fischer CU731) first movement	Galliard Sonata #1; McGinnis & Marx	Adagio & Allegro by Marcello- Merriman/Southern	Galliard Sonata #5
E♭/B♭ Clarinet	Mozart Concerto (Publisher: C. Fischer W1668) third movement	Adagio & Tarantella, Cavallini, arr. Waln; Kjos	Weber Concertino Op. 26 Begin. To Var. II/Fischer	Weber Concerto 2 mvt. 1
Alto/Contralto Clarinet	Rondo, von Kreisler (Publisher: Southern/HL3774107)	Allegro Spiritoso, Senaille; Southern	Hornpipe & Allegro by Galliard/Southern	Concerto Petite, Ostransky/ Rubank
Bass/Contrabass Clarinet	Rondo, von Kreisler (Publisher: Southern/HL3774109)	Adagio & Allegro, Galliard; Southern	Sonata in a minor by Marcello/Southern	Ballade, Eugene Bozza/ Southern
Alto Sax	Variations on a Gavotte, Corelli/Glaser (Publisher: HL347809)	Henri Eccles Sonata, arranged by Rascher; Elkan-Vogel, Inc	Sonata #3 by Handel/Rascher	Creston Sonata mvt. 1 pages 1 & 2
Tenor Sax	Concerto in g minor, Handel/Voxman (Publisher: Rubank/HL4477528)	William Schmidt Sonatina for Tenor and Piano, first mvt; WIM Publishers	Sonata #3 by Handel/Rascher	Saint-Saëns Allegro Appasionata from "Solos for the Tenor Player"
Bari Sax	Variations on a Theme of Robert Schumann, Wm. Davis/Southern (Publisher: Rubank/HL3775129)	Ritual & Celebration, Jared Spears; Southern Music	Sonata #3 by Handel/Rascher	Garland Anderson Sonata mvt. 1, Southern
Trumpet/Cornet	The Debutante, Clarke (Publisher: Alfred TS0018)	Bride of the Waves, Clarke; Warner	From the Shores of the Mighty Pacific, Clarke/Warner	Napoli, Bellstedt
French Horn	Morceau de Concert, Saint-Saëns (Publisher: Alfred TS0002)	Mozart Concerto #3, Mvts. 2 & 3; Cundy Bettoney	Concerto #1 by Mozart (both mvts.)/Schirmer	Mozart Concerto 2 in Eb mvt. 1 pages 6 & 7, mvt. 2 page 9
Baritone/Euphonium	Andante and Rondo, Capuzzi/Catelinet (Publisher: Peters H1474)	Tarantella, Walters/Ludwig	Mozart Concerto in B ♭, K191, Rondo Mvt./Kendor	From the Shore of the Mighty Pacific, Herbert Clarke
Trombone	Saint-Saëns Cavatine (Publisher: Ludwig Masters M2131) *NEW TO SELECTION LIST FOR 2014-15	Galliard Sonata #1, Cantabile & Spiritoso; International	Concert Piece #5 by Blasewitch/Warner	Marceau Symphonique, Alexandre Guilmant/ Remick Music
Bass Trombone	Studies in Legato for Bass Trombone (#30 & 38) by Fink (Publisher: C. Fischer 04768)	Concerto in One Movement, Lebedev; Edition Musicus	Concertino Basso by Lieb/Carl Fischer	Melodious Etudes for Bass Trombone (#10 & #19), Ostrander/Fischer
Tuba	Andante and Rondo Capuzzi/Catelinet (Publisher: Peters H1474)	Serenade #12for Solo Tuba;Persichetti movements 2, 3, 5; Presser/Carl Fischer	Air & Bouree by Bach- William Bell/Carl Fischer	Unaccompanied Suite Walter Hartley

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Р	PMEA District One Honors Band Grade Levels = 9th through 12th				
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(and SH District Orchestra Auditions for Wind, Brass and Percussion Grade Levels = 10 th through 12 th) Auditions will be on Monday, October 6 at South Fayette HS (Director's Meeting at 4:30, Auditions at 5:15)				
Snare Drum*	Modern School for Snare Drumming (pg 64 & 65) 5/4 & 7/4 Etudes, Goldenberg (Publisher: Alfred 0714B)	Advanced Snare Drum Studies Etude #17, Page 34 only; Peters	Advanced Snare Drum Studies, Etude #19 (page 38 only) Peters	Advanced Snare Drum Studies, Etude #11 (pages 22-23) Peters	
Mallets*	Sonata Allegro, Mitchell Peters (Publisher: Try Publishing TRY1084)	Hora Staccato, Heifetz/Goldenburg/Carl Fischer/page 1 only	Concerto a minor by J.S. Bach/Goldenberg, Beginning to C.	Andante Cantabile, J.C. Bach/Ludwig	
Timpani* *(audition on all three)	Sonata for Timpani, J. Beck Third Movement ONLY (Publisher: HL14030713)	3 Designs for Timpani, Muczinski, mvt. 3	Ballad for Dance by Saul Goodman/Warner Bros.	Sonata for Timpani, Philip Ramey (Mvt. 1 ONLY)	
PMEA District One Honors Choir (Fall) Grade Levels = 9 th through 12 th					
	Auditions on Monday, September 22 at 4:00 p.m., South Fayette HS				
All Voices (to be sung in original language)	Exsultate Deo—Scarlatti Greyson Edition (Key of D) (Publisher: Bourne Co. 038366)	Cry Aloud by John Ness Beck, Kjos Ed. GC24	Blessing Glory and Wisdom— J.S. Bach Peter Tkack —Kjos ED5140 SATB	It Is Good To Be Merry—Jean Berger—Kjos ED5293 SSAATTBB	
PMEA District One District Chorus (Spring) Grade Levels = 10 th through 12 th					
Auditions on Monday, November 24 at 4:00 p.m., Bethel Park HS					
All Voices	O Clap Your Hands— M. Thomas Cousins, SSAATTBB (Publisher: Brodt Music Co. No. 527)	How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place from Requiem— Brahms—G. Schirmer 50295550 SATB	Glorious Everlasting – M. Thomas Cousins – Brodt Music Co. No. 504 SSAATTBB	O Clap Your Hands— M. Thomas Cousins, SSAATTBB (Publisher: Brodt Music Co. No. 527)	

Please use the exact edition, arranger, key, publisher and page numbers of music listing.

All editions have been confirmed to be in print and are available for purchase.

The complete festival audition list has also been added to the J. W. Pepper website by their editors. Go to www.jwpepper.com and type "PMEA District 1" into the search bar to find lists broken up by audition month.

From the Pennsylvania Department of Education PSSA & Keystone Testing Windows 2014-15

PSSA Assessment	Dates	Grades
English Language Arts	April 13-17, 2015	3-8
Mathematics	April 20-24, 2015	3-8
Science	April 27-May 1, 2015	4 and 8
Make-up	May 4-8, 2015	



Keystone Exams

Algebra I, Biology, Literature

Winter

Wave 1: December 3-17, 2014 Wave 2: January 7-21, 2015

Spring

May 13-27, 2015

Summer

July 27-31, 2015



From the College Board: AP Testing Window for 2015

May 4-15, 2015

May 4: Chemistry, Environmental Science, Psychology

May 5: Calculus AB, Calculus BC, AP Seminar, Chinese Language & Culture May 6: English Literature & Composition, Japanese Language & Culture,

Physics 1: Algebra-based

May 7: Computer Science A, Spanish Language & Culture, Art History,

Physics 2: Algebra-based

May 8: German Language & Culture, US History, European History,

Studio Art digital portfolios due

May 11: Biology, Music Theory, Physics C: Mechanics,

Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism

May 12: US Government & Politics, French Language & Culture,

Spanish Language & Culture

May 13: English Language & Composition, Statistics

May 14: Comparative Government & Politics, World History,

Italian Language & Culture, Macroeconomics

May 15: Microeconomics, Human Geography, Latin

2014-14 Future Festival Calendar

Please check the website at http://district1.pmea.net for the most recent and updated information.

BAND FESTIVALS

Honors Band Auditions

South Fayette HS: Eryn Carranza

DATE: Oct. 6

ecarranza@southfayette.org

Honors Band

West Mifflin HS: Jeffrey Kesser

Rehearsals:

Nov. 8, 15, 22 at WMHS

Concert: Nov. 23 at Carnegie Hall

kesserj@wmasd.org

SHS District Band East

Latrobe HS: Tim Sheriden DATE: Jan 7-9 (Wed/Fri)

timothy.sheridan@glsd.us

SHS District Band West

North Allegheny Sr. HS:

Todd Stefan

DATE: Jan 7-9(Wed/Fri)

tstefan@northallegheny.org

SHS Region State Band

Hickory HS

DATE: Feb 11-13

Honors Jazz Band

Shady Side Academy: Stan Nevola

Auditions:

DATE: Monday, September 29

Festival:

DATE: December 12-13 (Fri/Sat)

JHS District Band East

Yough MS: Don Green?
DATE: TBA(Fri/Sat)

greend@youghsd.net

JHS District Band West

Bethel Park HS: Derby/Petrossi

DATE: April 10-11, 2015 petrossi.michael@bpsd.org

CHORAL FESTIVALS

Honors Choir Auditions

South Fayette HS: Christine Elek

DATE: Monday, September 22

Honors Choir

Belle Vernon HS: Michael Rozell

(at Seton Hill)

DATE: Oct. 24/25 (Fri/Sat)

LOCATION: Seton Hill Univ.

Michael.Rozell@bellevernonarea.net

SHS District Chorus Auditions
Bethel Park HS: Todd Kuczawa

Monday, November 24

SHS District Chorus

Norwin HS: Bridget Faulk DATE: Jan 21-23 (Wed/Fri)

bfaulk@norwinsd.org

SHS Region State Choir

Trinity HS/Marsha Owens DATE: Feb 25-27 (Wed/Fri)

owensm@trintypride.org

JHS District Chorus West

CAPA/Gerald Savage

DATE: May 1-2 (Fri/Sat)

STRINGS FESTIVALS

Honors String Orch. Auditions

Chartiers Valley HS: Sally Shollenberger

DATE: Monday, September 15

shollenberger@cvsd.net

Honors String Orchestra

Chartiers Valley HS: Sally Shollenberger DATE: Nov 8-9 (Sat/Sun) SHS District Orchestra

Penn Hills HS/Riverview HS: Paul July/Jason Liebell

Held at Penn Hills HS

DATE: February 5-7(Wed/Fri)

SHS Region State Orchestra

Region 2

JHS District Orchestra

Pine-Richland/Katelyn Panza

DATE: April 17-18

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Pennsylvania Music Educators Association

(PMEA) is an affiliate of the 65,000-plus member National Association for Music Education (NAfME). PMEA is a service organization to music education in the Commonwealth. The membership includes those engaged in music instruction at all levels, from preschool through college and university, retired educators, as well as those in the music industry.

In addition, college chapters and TRI-M Music Honor Society are comprised of students enrolled in music education. PMEA provides leadership in professional growth and offers special opportunities for musical development to school students.

District 1 includes over 550 school and private music teachers from Allegheny, Fayette, Greene, Washington and Westmoreland counties. District 1 sponsors high school and junior high orchestra, band and chorus festivals for members' students who are selected either by tryouts or director recommendation and school size quotas. An honors string orchestra, honors band and honors chorus are offered to student-musicians by competitive audition. District 1 festival musicians may advance to Region, All State, Eastern Division and National NAfME groups.

In addition, District 1 annually hosts two Jazz Band fests, an Elementary Sing Fest East and West, several Elementary Band Fests and Professional Development Workshops for all music teachers.

PMEA's mission is to:

- promote the musical development of all Pennsylvanians.
- advocate for quality music education.
- recognize music education as a lifetime activity.
- support the changing professional needs of its members.
- foster an appreciation of music.

