



January 25, 2024

Dear Music Directors:

On behalf of the North Dakota Music Educators Association, I am pleased to announce the results of the auditions for the 57th NORTH DAKOTA ALL-STATE ORCHESTRA, MIXED CHORUS, TREBLE CHORUS, BAND, JAZZ BAND, and JAZZ CHOIR which will be held at the Bismarck Event Center in March. Congratulations to all students who participated in the audition process!

Wind players, percussionists and vocalists have been assigned to the band, orchestra, jazz ensemble and choirs with balance in mind. As in the past, assignments to a part within a section were also made with balance in mind. Because of these assignments for instance, a 2nd clarinet player may have scored higher than a 1st.

String players please note the asterisk next to the names of the top players. These players will re-audition for chair placement prior to the first rehearsal in Bismarck.

If a selected student is not able to participate in this All-State event, **PLEASE NOTIFY ME IMMEDIATELY!** I will notify the alternate next in line to fill the vacancy. Also, **PLEASE NOTIFY ME IMMEDIATELY** with any corrections or misspellings.

All school/student registrations will be done online via google forms. Registration fees can be paid online by Credit Card or checks sent to me at **MANDAN HIGH SCHOOL**. Checks should be made payable to **NDMEA ALL-STATE**. **All web links will be located on the ndallstate.org website.** Registration fees must be postmarked by February 21, 2024 or a late fee of \$50 will apply.

NAfME/NDMEA membership status is determined as of February 1. If you are not a member as of February 1, 2024 you must pay the non-member fee.

Admission to concerts will only be available at the door on the day of the event. All directors of participating students will receive free admittance.

Each student will need to fill out the health information and upload their program picture via the google form link. Please share the link on the ndallstate.org website with your students/families. **Students who do not turn in this information will not be allowed to participate in the All-State Festival.**

The rehearsal and performance schedule, music, and all other pertinent information you will need concerning All-State will be mailed to you soon.

Again, congratulations to all! I look forward to seeing all of you in March.

Sincerely,

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ND All-State
Auditions and Finance Manager
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To: 2024 All-State Students, Directors, and Parents

From: Chris Dasovick, All State Festival Site Manager and Sara Baumann and Brian Saylor, All State Co-Chairs

RE: Festival instructions and information

LEARN YOUR MUSIC

Please have your music prepared and ready to go. Our rehearsals are for musical considerations, not for working out notes, rhythms, pronunciations, and articulations. These concerts are being conducted by world-class musicians. This will be your chance to showcase North Dakota's finest young musical talent!

Students may be asked to stay in the rehearsal room during concert hours to learn their parts.

MEDICAL CONCERNS

* It is the responsibility of the directors/chaperones of All-State students to obtain necessary information about medical needs (pre-existing conditions, parents' phone numbers, doctor's phone number, etc.) and to be on the premises to assist All-State personnel with any student-medical emergencies. Please upload the medical information to the Google form provided by Feb. 23rd.

PHOTOS

Be sure to scan and include an **appropriate** school photo for the All-State Program of each student by uploading it to the Google form along with your medical information by Feb. 23rd. **Pictures must be labeled ensemble.instrument/voicepart.firstname.lastname.school (mixedchoir.tenor.john.doe.fargodavies or orchestra.viola.jane.doe.minothigh)** For printing purposes, photos should be front-facing and close up of the student's face. Pictures that do not fit the guidelines will not be included. ****Please be sure to indicate if a student should be receiving a 4-year award in the form.**

SEATING

All State personnel will help you find your seat at the first rehearsal, and you will receive a nametag. **NAME TAGS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES.** The name tags are also your admission to the concerts.

CONCERT ATTIRE

Please wear modest, respectful dress-up attire. Please do not wear choir robes or uniforms. **DO NOT WEAR ATHLETIC SHOES, WHITE ATHLETIC SOCKS, REVEALING OR DISTRACTING CLOTHING, OR JEANS.**

CONCERT TICKETS

Tickets will be available at the door for \$10 for adults and \$8 for students. Tickets for multiple concerts are available at the door. Tickets will not be sold in advance.

BEHAVIOR AT ALL STATE

Please remember that as a member of All State you represent the entire music education community in our state. This includes your behavior as well as your performance, as it reflects upon the entire event. You also must be eligible under NDHSAA rules to participate. Remember that you are a guest in these buildings. Please show respect for the people and the property you encounter.

NDMEA All-State reserves the right to dismiss any student whose behavior is detrimental to their ensemble.

RULES FOR STUDENTS

1. Students are not allowed to wear caps, bandannas, or hats in the rehearsals.
2. We do not accept any responsibility for loss of personal items, so please protect your belongings.
3. Students are subject to all North Dakota High School Activities Association rules during the All-State Festival.
4. ***There is no cell phone use allowed during rehearsals.***

REHEARSAL SITE LOCATION, PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION

The Bismarck Event Center is located at 315 South 5th Street. **Due to additional activities taking place at the Bismarck Event Center, you should park in the South Parking Lot for free. All other lots are \$5.**

MEALS

Lunch and evening meals will be on your own. There will not be any concessions sold inside the Event Center. Several restaurants are within walking distance of the Event Center.

T-SHIRTS

All State t-shirts will be available for purchase at the festival concerts.

DIRECTORS

All directors must register for the conference to attend conference sessions and All-State Rehearsals. Please go to ndmea.org and register if you've not already done so. You must also register all non-director chaperones to have a name tag for entrance to all conference events at no cost. Registered attendees of the NDMEA Conference are admitted free to all concerts. Nametags serve as tickets.

All State Orchestra Rehearsal Schedule

All students need to be on time for all rehearsals.
Breaks at conductor's discretion.

Thursday, March 21

<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Place</u>
12:30 p.m.	Re-auditions	Prairie Rose, 103 & 104, Maple Linden & Pine Spruce
1:30 p.m.	Rehearsal	Hall C
4:30 p.m.	Dinner	On your own
6:00-7:15 p.m.	Rehearsal	Hall C
7:30 p.m.	Concert Hour I	Hall D

Grafton Concert Choir – directed by Chris Loeffler
Lake Agassiz Wind Symphony – directed by Dr. Warren Olfert
All State students will attend the concert.

Friday, March 22

8:00-9:30 a.m.	Rehearsal	Hall C
9:30-10:00 a.m.	Exhibit Time	Hall B
10:00-10:50 a.m.	Rehearsal	Hall A

11:00 a.m.	Keynote Speaker “Building Identity, Belonging, and Agency Through Musical SEL” Scott Edgar	Hall D
12:00 p.m.	Lunch	On your own
1:30 p.m.	Dress Rehearsal	Hall D
3:30 p.m.	Concert Hour II Memorial Middle School Jazz Band – directed by Jordan Boehm Sheyenne High School Sinfonia Orchestra – directed by Richard Gonzales All State students will attend the concert.	Hall D
4:40 p.m.	Rehearsal	Hall C
6:30 p.m.	Supper	On your own

Saturday, March 23

8:00 a.m.	Rehearsal	Hall C
10:00 a.m.	All-State Concert I All State Jazz Choir, directed by Rosana Eckert All State Jazz Band, directed by Ellen Rowe	Hall D
12:30 p.m.	Warm-up	Hall D
1:00 p.m.	All-State Concert II All State Mixed Choir, directed by Dr. Bridget Sweet All State Orchestra directed by Nobuyoshi Yasuda	Hall D
3:30 p.m.	All-State Concert III All State Treble Choir, directed by Dr. Derrick Fox All State Band, directed by Brian Balmages	Hall D

All State Treble Choir Rehearsal Schedule

All students need to be on time for all rehearsals.
Breaks at conductor’s discretion.

Thursday, March 21

<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Place</u>
1:30 p.m.	Rehearsal	PR 105
3:30-4:20 p.m.	Sectionals	PR 105 & 106
4:30 p.m.	Dinner	On your own
6:00-7:15 p.m.	Rehearsal	PR 105
7:30 p.m.	Concert Hour I	Hall D

Grafton Concert Choir – directed by Chris Loeffler
Lake Agassiz Wind Symphony – directed by Dr. Warren Olfert
All State students will attend the concert.

Friday, March 22

8:00-9:30 a.m.	Rehearsal	PR 105
9:30-10:00 a.m.	Designated Exhibit Time	Hall B
10:00-10:50 a.m.	Rehearsal	PR 105
11:00 a.m.	Keynote Speaker “Building Identity, Belonging, and Agency Through Musical SEL” Scott Edgar	Hall D
12:00 p.m.	Lunch	On your own
1:30 p.m.	Rehearsal	PR 105
3:30 p.m.	Concert Hour II Memorial Middle School Jazz Band – directed by Jordan Boehm Sheyenne High School Sinfonia Orchestra – directed by Richard Gonzales All State students will attend the concert.	Hall D
4:40-6:00 p.m.	Rehearsal	PR 105
6:00-6:45 p.m.	Dress Rehearsal	Hall D
6:45 p.m.	Supper	On your own

Saturday, March 23

8:00 a.m.	Rehearsal	PR 105
10:00 a.m.	All-State Concert I All State Jazz Choir, directed by Rosana Eckert All State Jazz Band, directed by Ellen Rowe	Hall D
1:00 p.m.	All-State Concert II All State Mixed Choir, directed by Dr. Bridget Sweet All State Orchestra directed by Nobuyoshi Yasuda	Hall D
3:00 p.m.	Warm-up	Hall D
3:30 p.m.	All-State Concert III All State Treble Choir, directed by Dr. Derrick Fox All State Band, directed by Brian Balmages	Hall D

All State Band Rehearsal Schedule

All students need to be on time for all rehearsals.
Breaks at conductor’s discretion.

Thursday, March 21

<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Place</u>
1:30 p.m.	Rehearsal	Hall A
4:30 p.m.	Dinner	On your own
6:00-7:15 p.m.	Rehearsal	Hall C

7:30 p.m. **Concert Hour I** Hall A

Grafton Concert Choir – directed by Chris Loeffler
Lake Agassiz Wind Symphony – directed by Dr. Warren Olfert
All State students will attend the concert.

Friday, March 22

8:00-9:30 a.m. Dress Rehearsal Hall D

9:30-10:00 a.m. Designated Exhibit Time Hall B

10:00-10:50 a.m. Rehearsal Hall A

11:00 a.m. **Keynote Speaker** Hall D

“Building Identity, Belonging,
and Agency Through Musical SEL” Scott Edgar

12:00 p.m. Lunch On your own

1:30 p.m. Rehearsal Hall A

3:30 p.m. **Concert Hour II** Hall D

Memorial Middle School Jazz Band – directed by Jordan Boehm
Sheyenne High School Sinfonia Orchestra – directed by Richard Gonzales
All State students will attend the concert.

4:40 p.m. Rehearsal Hall A

6:45 p.m. Supper On your own

Saturday, March 23

8:00-9:30 a.m. Dress Rehearsal Hall D

10:00 a.m. **All-State Concert I** Hall D

All State Jazz Choir, directed by Rosana Eckert
All State Jazz Band, directed by Ellen Rowe

1:00 p.m. **All-State Concert II** Hall D

All State Mixed Choir, directed by Dr. Bridget Sweet
All State Orchestra directed by Nobuyoshi Yasuda

3:00 p.m. Warm-up Hall D

3:30 p.m. **All-State Concert III** Hall D

All State Treble Choir, directed by Dr. Derrick Fox
All State Band, directed by Brian Balmages

All State Mixed Choir Rehearsal Schedule

All students need to be on time for all rehearsals.

Breaks at conductor's discretion.

Thursday, March 21

<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Place</u>
1:30 p.m.	Rehearsal	PR 101-102
2:30-3:20 p.m.	Sectionals	PR 101-102 & 106
4:30 p.m.	Dinner	On your own
6:00 -7:15 p.m.	Rehearsal	PR 101-102
7:30 p.m.	Concert Hour I	Hall D

Grafton Concert Choir – directed by Chris Loeffler

Lake Agassiz Wind Symphony – directed by Dr. Warren Olfert

All State students will attend the concert.

Friday, March 22

8:00-9:30 a.m.	Rehearsal	PR 101-102
9:30-10:00 a.m.	Designated Exhibit Time	Hall B
10:00-10:50 a.m.	Rehearsal	PR 101-102
11:00 a.m.	Keynote Speaker "Building Identity, Belonging, and Agency Through Musical SEL" Scott Edgar	Hall D
12:00 p.m.	Lunch	On your own
1:30 p.m.	Rehearsal	PR 101-102
3:30 p.m.	Concert Hour II	Hall D

Memorial Middle School Jazz Band – directed by Jordan Boehm

Sheyenne High School Sinfonia Orchestra – directed by Richard Gonzales

All State students will attend the concert.

4:40 p.m.	Rehearsal	PR 101-102
5:15-6:00 p.m.	Dress Rehearsal	Hall D
6:00-6:45 p.m.	Rehearsal	PR 101-102
6:45 p.m.	Supper	On your own

Saturday, March 23

8:00 a.m.	Rehearsal	PR 101-102
10:00 a.m.	All-State Concert I All State Jazz Choir, directed by Rosana Eckert All State Jazz Band, directed by Ellen Rowe	Hall D

12:30 p.m.	Warm-up	Hall D
1:00 p.m.	All-State Concert II All State Mixed Choir, directed by Dr. Bridget Sweet All State Orchestra directed by Nobuyoshi Yasuda	Hall D
3:30 p.m.	All-State Concert III All State Treble Choir, directed by Dr. Derrick Fox All State Band, directed by Brian Balmages	Hall D

All State Jazz Choir Rehearsal Schedule

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Breaks at conductor's discretion.

Thursday, March 21

<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Place</u>
1:30 p.m.	Rehearsal	Birch/Cotton
4:30 p.m.	Dinner	On your own
6:00-7:15 p.m.	Rehearsal	Birch/Cotton
7:30 p.m.	Concert Hour I	Hall D

Grafton Concert Choir – directed by Chris Loeffler
Lake Agassiz Wind Symphony – directed by Dr. Warren Olfert
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Friday, March 22

8:00-9:30 a.m.	Rehearsal	Birch/Cotton
9:30-10:00	Designated Exhibit Time	Hall B
10:00-10:50	Rehearsal	Birch/Cotton
11:00 a.m.	Keynote Speaker "Building Identity, Belonging, and Agency Through Musical SEL" Scott Edgar	Hall D
12:00 p.m.	Lunch	On your own
1:30 p.m.	Rehearsal	Birch/Cotton
3:30 p.m.	Concert Hour II Memorial Middle School Jazz Band – directed by Jordan Boehm Sheyenne High School Sinfonia Orchestra – directed by Richard Gonzales All State students will attend the concert.	Hall D
4:40 p.m.	Rehearsal	Birch/Cotton
6:45 p.m.	Supper	On your own

Saturday, March 23

8:00 a.m.	Rehearsal	Birch/Cotton
8:45-9:30 a.m.	Dress Rehearsal	Hall D
10:00 a.m.	All-State Concert I All State Jazz Choir, directed by Rosana Eckert All State Jazz Band, directed by Ellen Rowe	Hall D
12:30 p.m.	Warm-up	Hall D
1:00 p.m.	All-State Concert II All State Mixed Choir, directed by Dr. Bridget Sweet All State Orchestra directed by Nobuyoshi Yasuda	Hall D
3:30 p.m.	All-State Concert III All State Treble Choir, directed by Dr. Derrick Fox All State Band, directed by Brian Balmages	Hall D

All State Jazz Band Rehearsal Schedule

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Breaks at conductor's discretion.

Thursday, March 21

<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Place</u>
1:30 p.m.	Rehearsal	Upstairs Hallway
4:30 p.m.	Dinner	Upstairs Hallway
6:00-7:15 p.m.	Rehearsal	Upstairs Hallway
7:30 p.m.	Concert Hour I	Hall D

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Friday, March 22

8:00-9:30 a.m.	Rehearsal	Upstairs Hallway
9:30-10:00 a.m.	Designated Exhibit Time	Hall B
10:00-10:50 a.m.	Rehearsal	Upstairs Hallway
11:00 a.m.	Keynote Speaker "Building Identity, Belonging, and Agency Through Musical SEL" Scott Edgar	Hall D
12:00 p.m.	Lunch	On your own
1:30 p.m.	Rehearsal	Upstairs Hallway
3:30 p.m.	Concert Hour II	Hall D

Memorial Middle School Jazz Band – directed by Jordan Boehm
Sheyenne High School Sinfonia Orchestra – directed by Richard Gonzales

All State students will attend the concert.

4:40-6:45 p.m.	Rehearsal	Upstairs Hallway
6:45 p.m.	Supper	Upstairs Hallway

Saturday, March 23

8:00 a.m.	Dress Rehearsal	Hall D
8:45-9:30	Rehearsal	Upstairs Hallway

10:00 a.m.	All-State Concert I All State Jazz Choir, directed by Rosana Eckert All State Jazz Band, directed by Ellen Rowe	Hall D
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