



North Jersey School Music Association

Region I of the New Jersey Music Educators Association

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The 2017 Region I Concert Band Festival

Tuesday, March 21 – Verona High School (*Evening*)

Wednesday, March 22 – Parsippany Hills High School (*Day*)

Hanover Park High School (*Evening*)

Thursday, March 23 – Bergenfield High School (*Day*)

Randolph High School (*Evening*)

Dear Music Educator,

The North Jersey School Music Association and the New Jersey Chapter of the National Band Association is proud to present the 19th Annual Region I High School Concert Band Festival. Regions II and III will also be hosting Concert Band Festivals in March. The four highest rated ensembles from Region I will be selected to perform at the State Gala Concert. That concert is scheduled for Sunday, April 30 at The College of New Jersey.

To ensure a positive educational experience, the festival will feature highly qualified adjudicators. This year we are honored to have Dr. James Patrick Miller from Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, MN, and Dr. Timothy Anderson from the University of Massachusetts as our adjudicators. Each band will receive a plaque commemorating their participation with a rating of Gold, Silver, or Bronze or a Participation Award. Awards will also be presented for outstanding woodwind, brass, and percussion sections, as well as outstanding soloist awards.

At the festival, each band will play two adjudicated selections. One selection must be from the National Band Association Selective Music List. The second selection does not need to be from the list, but should be at a similar grade level. The judges will rate the ensembles relative to the grade level of the music chosen. For example, a band that performs grade 2 or 3 literature at the highest level will be rewarded by receiving a Gold rating. Only bands that choose to play music of a grade level of 4, 5, or 6 will be considered for the State Gala Concert.

All bands will arrive at each festival site and proceed directly to the auditorium. Each band will be given a twenty-five minute segment to set up, warm up, perform and depart the stage. It is extremely important that all students/band members remain in the auditorium for all performances. Parents, family, and friends are encouraged to attend the evening festivals.

The purpose of the Region I Concert Band Festival is to foster and promote the growth of the most important aspect of our programs by offering an adjudicated performance opportunity. In addition to receiving quality feedback from outstanding music educators, your students will have the opportunity to listen to other fine ensembles from our region. Registration will be handled on a first come, first served basis.

Please do not hesitate to contact either of us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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The 2017 Region I High School Concert Band Festival

School _____

Address _____ NJ _____
Street City Zip

School Phone _____

School Email _____

Director _____

Personal Phone _____

NAfME (MENC) # _____ Expiration Date _____

Name of Group (Wind Ensemble, Concert Band, etc.)

Number of Musicians _____

Please check one:

- Tuesday, March 21, 6:00 – 10:00pm @ Verona HS
- Wednesday, March 22, 9:30am – 12:00pm @ Parsippany Hills HS
- Wednesday, March 22, 6:00 – 10:00pm @ Hanover Park HS
- Thursday, March 23, 9:30am – 12:00pm @ Bergenfield HS
- Thursday, March 23, 6:00 – 10:00pm @ Randolph HS

Director's Endorsement: _____
Signature Date

Principal's Endorsement: _____
Signature Date

Please send application and registration check for \$175.00 (made payable to NJSMA) to:

Peter F. Bauer, Director of Bands
Columbia High School
17 Parker Avenue
Maplewood, NJ 07040

- *Application fees will be returned to you if we are not able to accommodate your ensemble. It will not be returned if you should cancel your participation for any reason.*
- *Further money will be required if you are selected to perform in the State Gala Concert.*