

**Conference Session Proposal Information**  
2026 PMEA Annual In-Service Conference  
April 23-25, Kalahari Resort & Convention Center - Poconos

\*Please note that the 2026 conference dates conflict with the PSSA testing window. We strongly encourage all presenters who may be affected by this conflict to get approval from their administration **before** submitting a proposal.

Window of opportunity to submit will open on **Monday, May 19** and will **close at 11:59 PM on Monday, June 30**.

PMEA/NAfME members and PMEA/NAfME Corporate Sponsor Member companies are invited to submit educational session proposals for the **2026 PMEA Annual In-service Conference** in the 2026 PMEA Call for Session Proposals. The PMEA Conference Planning Committee will utilize a blind review process for all proposals submitted. The final decision for inclusion in the annual conference will be that of the conference chair. Corporate Sponsor member session proposals must include a note of endorsement (letter/email) from the sponsoring company when submitted. Sponsoring companies will be listed in the program book. **\*For sessions promoting a specific product, an exhibit booth at the conference is required by the sponsoring company/organization.\***

### **Selection Process**

The PMEA Conference Planning Committee will be guided in the selection of sessions by the following criteria: quality of presentation (objectives and organization); innovativeness; importance and timeliness of the topic to the field; level of participation for attendees; practical applicability and program balance.

Session proposals will be accepted in the following content areas:

- Access/Belonging/Diversity/Equity/Inclusion (Exceptional Learners)
- Adjudication/Performance Assessment
- Career Development/Teacher Resources
- Choral
- Collegiate/PCMEA
- Curriculum Instruction/Development/Assessment
- Education in Rural/Urban Settings
- General Music Classrooms - Early/Primary/Intermediate/Middle/High, World Music
- Health/Wellness/Retirement
- Higher Ed/SMTE/Research
- Instrumental (Band, Jazz, Strings, all areas)
- Leadership/Mentoring
- Marketing/Promotion/Music Parent Groups
- Modern Band/Guitar
- Other

### ***Procedure***

Complete the Online Proposal Application Form which includes: Session Title, Description, Type of Session (to include interaction level - panel, lecture, demonstration) and Content Area. **Be sure to include a current email address.**

### ***Session Participant(s)***

1. All selected presenters must be current members of NAFME or representatives of PMEA/NAFME Corporate Sponsor companies. **No honoraria are paid to educational session presenters.**
2. All session proposals are reviewed blindly, therefore **do NOT include any identifying information** in the session description section of the proposal.
3. **Submission of a proposal is a commitment by all participating individuals to register for the conference at the applicable rate (full conference, daily rate on day of session or attend as an exhibitor).**
4. Because of scheduling difficulties, individual requests for particular times will be considered, however cannot always be accommodated.