

2026 PMEA Accompanist Audition Materials

For the online audition, an acoustic piano MUST be used as it best conveys the skills and musicianship of each pianist.

Window of Opportunity to audition

Monday 1/12/26 (after District Chorus) and closes at NOON Tuesday, 1/20/26.

All Applicants will be notified at the **Region Chorus Festival** of the results and via the PMEA website: www.pmea.net.

* **Eligibility**-BOTH Region State Festival Accompanists are eligible to apply within a given year. In Regions where a student accompanist is not used, the first place District accompanist who has been recommended by the District Host, Guest Conductor, District President and the Chairperson of the accompanist audition committee will participate in Region Chorus. The Committee may also elect to not recommend an accompanist to move on to the Region level even if they are the sole District applicant.

* Students applying for Accompanist may also be selected as an accompanist for the instrumental ensembles based on their score placement and if the instrumental ensemble requires an accompanist for the majority of music selections programmed.

*If the Accompanist has also advanced vocally to the All-State level, the student will receive an All-State Choral folder and audition with the All-State Chorus students to determine ranking for future Ensembles including NAFME All-East. (This includes Accompanists who are placed in an All-State Instrumental Ensemble.) The next region student in the specific voice section who qualifies for All-State Chorus would still be eligible to also audition since the Accompanist audition would be solely for ranking purposes.

ACCOMPANIMENT ONLY

"A Jubilant Song" (Dello Joio) -- ms. 51-87

"O Schone Nacht" (Brahms) -- ms. 29-end.

OPEN SCORE READING

"O Schone Nacht" (Brahms) -- parts pickup to ms. 54-end.