



2026 PMEA All-State Festival Information

****Please READ this entire document carefully****

FEES/INVOICE and PRINCIPAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

DUE MONDAY 4/13/26

PERFORMING ENSEMBLE STUDENT EXCUSE FORM DUE

BY FRIDAY 3/27/26

REGISTRATION FEES/INVOICE FORM DIRECTIONS:

- ❖ A fee of **\$425.00 (\$435.00 if paid with a credit card)** per student includes lodging and meals during the Festival, music and all festival expenses.
- ❖ **Checks (NO purchase orders)** are to be made payable to: **PMEA**. Mail to: PMEA, 56 S. Third St., Hamburg, PA 19526. If multiple student registrations are being covered by one check please include a completed invoice for EACH student to be covered by the payment.
- ❖ The Registration Fee may also be paid with a credit card (all major cards accepted), however the payment will incur a \$10 convenience fee per registration (\$435 per **student**).
- ❖ **Deadline** to cancel and receive a refund is **Monday, April 13, 2026**.

ALL-STATE PRINCIPAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM (included in All-State Folder)

- ❖ <https://www.pmea.net/pmeaall-stateinformation/> then specific Ensemble Page via TABS.
- ❖ Forms are **ENSEMBLE SPECIFIC** and must be received **BY Monday, April 13** via:
 - email - allstate@pmea.net **PDF ONLY** - other formats will not be accepted
 - There will be **NO RESPONSE** from this email address regarding forms
 - Any questions/communication should be sent in a **SEPARATE EMAIL** to:
 - mlpeters@pmea.net
 - snail mail - there is an envelope in the student folder
 - PMEA All-State Coordinator - PO Box 1309 - Meadville, PA 16335

MEDICAL ADMINISTRATION RECORD FORMS:

- ❖ If your child needs to be given medication during the PMEA Festival, a separate Medication Administration Record form for **EACH** medication to be administered (including over the counter medications) must be completed including the Licensed Prescriber's Signature.
- ❖ **PMEA Medical Administration Record For is located on your specific Ensemble Page.**
- ❖ The length of the PMEA All-State Festival begins at registration and ends at the conclusion of the student's ensemble concert performance.
- ❖ **Please take into consideration morning (breakfast) and evening (bedtime) medications in submitting the Medical Administration Record Form as the All-State Festival includes OVERNIGHT stays.**
- ❖ PMEA will accept a copy of the Medical Administration Form currently on file with your school district for medications taken **during the school day** including Action Plans (as long as consent

- has been given for the form to be used). A copy of the school's Med. Admin. Form should be attached to the PMEA Medical Admin. Form with the student information and parent signature.
- ❖ Medications in their **original package AND the completed Medical Administration Form** for **EACH** including “**over the counter medications**” such as Ibuprofen, Antacids, etc. must be placed in a Ziploc baggie with the student's full name and ensemble marked in Sharpie. **Nurses will be on site at Camelback/ Main Lobby in front of the Hemisphere Restaurant entrance to collect and review medication orders at Camelback Resort for EACH Ensemble.**
 - ❖ Students requiring asthma inhalers and Epi-Pens are permitted to keep them in their possession at all times but must provide the signed Med. Admin. Form to the Nurse at the Registration Table.
 - ❖ **ALL medication must be administered by the PMEA Festival Nurse, regardless of the student's age, Section 504 or Transition Plan.**

REGISTRATION/LODGING (Director/Student Registration)

- ❖ **PMEA is NOT providing DINNER on the ENSEMBLE REGISTRATION day** except for the Jazz, Contemporary A Cappella and Modern Band Ensembles as their rehearsals begin on Wednesday afternoon, April 22, 2026.
- ❖ Students will be housed three (3) per room in a room with two queen beds and a pull-out sofa bed. The Lodging site is different from previous years in the Poconos. All Student Lodging is at: **Camelback Resort 193 Resort Drive, Tannersville, PA 18372**
- ❖ Should a student have additional needs, the student's parent/guardian may request the student be housed with them. Each request requires approval of the PMEA All-State Coordinator. Should the request be approved, a HOUSING WAIVER FORM must be completed with the proper signatures and submitted **BY Monday April 13, 2026**. Housing Waiver Forms are located on the Ensemble specific page. * Please note, that at **NO** time during the event are students permitted to drive.
- ❖ Directors will register their students as follows on **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22**
 - **11:00 am - 12:30 pm** Registration for Modern Band at Stroudsburg Junior High School 1198 Chipperfield Dr. Stroudsburg- Meeting at 12:30 p.m. Lunch is NOT provided.
 - **2:00 pm** - Hotel and Student Registration for Jazz and Contemporary A Cappella Ensembles **ONLY** at **Camelback Resort**. The bus and equipment truck (Jazz) leaves at 2:30 pm from Camelback Resort to the rehearsal site. Students will place TAGGED luggage in a holding room which will be locked until evening. (Breakout Room #4 via elevator- to R-4)
 - **3:00 pm - 7:00 pm** - Hotel and Student Registration for Chorus, Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, Concert Band at **Camelback Resort**. Only PMEA Directors or their proxy may register the student(s). Parents or non-PMEA members are NOT permitted to register the student(s). DINNER will **NOT** be provided. **Once the Director has registered their student(s), the students are NOT permitted to leave the hotel facility.** Large instruments- Orch/CB must be loaded onto a PENSKE truck with a departure of 7:00 pm to the rehearsal site. (Exception- Wind Ensemble Large Instruments / Breakout Room #4).
 - The Camelback Resort Waterpark is open until 8:00 pm on Wednesday. You **MUST** wear your hotel wristband for access to the waterpark. The wristband is available when you register on Wednesday.
 - **8:45 pm** - all students should report to the Camelback Main Ballroom, located via elevator to R-4 or walking, for a **9:00 pm mandatory** meeting.
 - **ONLY students needing to check-in with the Nurse and provide their medications/med admin forms should accompany their director(s) directly inside to the hotel registration.**

The Nurse Station will be located in the Main Lobby next to Hemisphere's Restaurant Entrance.

- Student Lodging **Check Out** for Modern Band is Thursday, April 23. **Check Out** for Jazz, Contemporary A Cappella, and Chorus is Friday, April 24. **Check Out** for Concert Band, Orchestra & Wind Ensemble is Saturday, April 25. Please note that a student's participation in the PMEA All-State Festival ends at the conclusion of their ensemble's performance, and they are released to their parents or director. PMEA is no longer responsible for them at that point. **Please ensure that arrangements are made for the student's transportation home at the conclusion of their all-state ensemble's concert.****

PMEA ALL-STATE REHEARSAL SITES

- ❖ **Modern Band**- Stroudsburg Junior High School-1198 Chipperfield Dr, Stroudsburg
- ❖ **Jazz and Contemporary A Cappella**- East Stroudsburg State University- Fine Arts and Performing Center- 125 Normal Street, East Stroudsburg. Contemporary A Cappella- Smith McFarland Theatre, Jazz- Cohen Recital Hall.
- ❖ **Chorus**-Bangor Area High School- 187 Five Points Richmond Rd, Bangor
- ❖ **Concert Band**- East Stroudsburg High School-South - 279 N. Cortland St.,East Stroudsburg
- ❖ **Wind Ensemble**- Camelback Resort- 193 Resort Dr. Tannersville (elevator to R4- Rooms A/B)
- ❖ **Orchestra**- Stroudsburg High School - 1100 W. Main St., Stroudsburg

PMEA ALL-STATE CONCERT SITES

- All-State Modern Band - **Thursday, 4/23 at 6:30 pm** (Sherman Theater/ 524 Main Street, Stroudsburg)
- All-State Chorus - **Friday, 4/24 at 5:00 pm** (Kalahari Convention Center - Kilimanjaro Ballroom 250 Kalahari Blvd, Pocono Manor)
- All-State Jazz & A Cappella Ensembles - **Friday, 4/24 at 7:30 pm** (John T. Lambert Intermediate School- 2000 Milford Rd. East Stroudsburg)
- All-State Wind Ensemble & Band - **Saturday, 4/25 at 11:00 am** (Kalahari Convention Center - Kilimanjaro Ballroom 250 Kalahari Blvd, Pocono Manor)
- All-State Orchestra - **Saturday, 4/25 at 3:00 pm** (Kalahari Convention Center - Kilimanjaro Ballroom 250 Kalahari Blvd, Pocono Manor)

PMEA DIRECTOR ALL- STATE CONFERENCE REGISTRATION- KALAHARI 250 Kalahari Blvd. Pocono Manor

- ❖ (<https://www.pmea.net/> Scroll to Conferences and Events and then click on Annual In-Service Conference)
- ❖ Directors may also register for the 2026 PMEA All-State Conference beginning Wednesday, April 22 from 2:00 pm - 9:00 pm at the Kalahari Convention Center.
- ❖ You may also register on Thursday April 23, from 7:00 am - 5:00 pm OR Friday April 24, from 7:00 am - 4:00 pm.

PMEA ALL-STATE STUDENT DETAILED INFORMATION/ FAQ's

- ❖ Students, Parents and Directors may access the PMEA All-State Information website without a log-in at <https://www.pmea.net/pmeaall-stateinformation/>
- ❖ A QR Code has also been provided in each All-State Music Folder which takes you directly to the All-State page where you can scroll down to view your ensemble-specific tab.
- ❖ EACH Ensemble's web page contains Conductor Notes, Listening Links, Take Note podcasts with the Ensemble Conductor, Concert Ticket Information, Schedules, Vendor Merchandise to purchase

(Pepwear, MARK Custom Recording and Identity Photography) AND FORMS (Invoice, Principal Acknowledgement Form (Ensemble specific), Housing Waiver, Med. Admin. Forms)

STUDENT FOOD/ SNACKS/HOTEL FACILITY

- ❖ Camelback Resort accepts CASH as well as Credit Cards.
- ❖ Students are highly encouraged to bring their own food and snacks. (There is a mini-fridge and microwave in EVERY room at Camelback Resort.)
- ❖ Most Students will have an opportunity to visit the on-site waterpark and should pack appropriate swim wear, should they choose to utilize the Aquatopia waterpark. (Because of rehearsal schedules, Modern Band, Jazz and Contemporary A Cappella students will not be able to use the Water Park).
- ❖ Camelback has an ARCADE with many activities.
- ❖ For more information on Camelback Resort -
<https://www.camelbackresort.com/aquatopia-indoor-waterpark>
<https://www.camelbackresort.com/arcadia-arcade>
<https://www.camelbackresort.com/resort-information/resort-map#aquatopia-indoor-waterpark-map>

SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS

- ❖ Those who have indicated their **Special Dietary Needs VIA THE ARBITER FORM:** The information has been sent to the food service department at the host schools, hotel and concert facility. **If PMEA can not accommodate your specific special dietary needs or you are more comfortable with providing your own food that's acceptable.** All food for the host schools MUST be packaged in sealed containers, ziplock bags AND labeled with the student name and All-State Ensemble, then given to the ensemble chaperone daily. Host schools have refrigeration and microwaves available AND there is a mini-fridge and microwave in EVERY room at Camelback Resort.

STUDENT DRESS CODES:

- ❖ **REHEARSALS** - Please wear school clothes which are appropriate! Layers are encouraged. **Remember what you are permitted to wear at your school, may NOT be approved at the Host School Rehearsal Site** including sweat pants, ripped jeans, pajamas, tank tops, muscle shirts, etc.) Hats are not to be worn during rehearsals.

CONCERT ATTIRE

- ❖ **Jazz :** Concert Dress is black formal (you do NOT need to wear a suitcoat). You may wear a colored shirt if you like (tie optional). No athletic footwear is permitted.
- ❖ **Contemporary A Cappella :** See the Concert Attire Guidelines on your Ensemble Page. Information has also been sent to the Director.
- ❖ **Concert Band/Wind Ensemble:** School Marching or Concert Band Uniform or Concert Black is acceptable. No Drum Major, Band Front or Color Guard uniforms are acceptable. No athletic footwear is permitted.
- ❖ **Orchestra:** See the Concert Attire Guidelines on your Ensemble Page. Information has also been sent to the Director. No athletic footwear is permitted.
- ❖ **Chorus: Must wear Choir Robes.** Should your school not have Choir Robes, please ask to borrow from a local church, neighboring school district or college. Choir please note: blue jeans and sweatshirts are not acceptable under your robes. No athletic footwear is permitted. Please dress professionally.

SEATING PLACEMENT

- ❖ All-State Ensemble Seating placement for Chorus, Orchestra, Wind Ensemble and Concert Band will be announced Wednesday evening, April 22 at 9:00 pm after the Mandatory Meeting.

The Mandatory Meeting will be held in the Main Ballroom of Camelback Resort. To access- take the elevator to R-4 or walk.

- ❖ Seating placement is based on the results of the seating auditions, held via Submittable during the designated window for each ensemble. **ALL STUDENTS** must audition. The audition excerpts will be revealed when the audition window opens and have been selected from each ensemble's All-State Folder. The auditions will be reviewed by PMEA Music Directors across the state. Each Ensemble will have the same time length in which to prepare and submit their auditions via SUBMITTABLE.

MUSIC/ MISCELLANEOUS

- ❖ ***ALL MUSIC*** will be collected at the conclusion of each concert. **EACH** student is assigned a folder number containing music with corresponding numbers.. Students will be financially responsible (\$50) for ANY music not returned (**Xerox copies included**) OR defaced with inappropriate language or drawing. Any markings **MUST** be made in pencil.
- ❖ **ALL** permissions to copy music have been granted or are in the rights of the Public Domain.
- ❖ All part substitutions and part assignments are marked clearly on individual pieces of music and based on the Conductor's recommendation and instrumental parts in the music.
- ❖ **String Basses** and **Bass Clarinets** please bring your chairs/ stools and have them clearly marked with your name and school.

REMEMBER, THIS IS AN EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE. ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW ALL GUIDELINES SET FORTH BY THEIR HOSTS AND PMEA!!!