

# Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association

- **ALL-STATE BAND - Grades 7 & 8**
- **ALL-STATE STRING ORCHESTRA - Grades 7 & 8**

Dear 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band and Orchestra Students of MSBOA Member Schools,

Seventh and eighth grade band and orchestra students from all MSBOA Member Schools are invited to audition for the Michigan All-State Band or All-State String Orchestra. The two middle school All-State ensembles will be representing music education as part of the **21<sup>st</sup> Annual Michigan Music Conference (MMC) held on January 22-24, 2026**. There will also be a high school concert band, jazz ensemble and full orchestra, however this notice is specifically for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. If selected from your audition, you will join hundreds of other top instrumentalists from across the state of Michigan in Grand Rapids for this three-day event.

Your questions might be:

- How do I become part of the All-State Band or Orchestra?  
*Students will audition to determine the top students at your grade level from all of Michigan.*
- When are the auditions?  
***Audition dates are Wednesday, October 15 through Sunday, October 19, 2025***  
*(Please see your director for the specific dates in your MSBOA District)*
- Where are the auditions?  
*There will be a site close to your school. Sites will be announced to your director.*
- What music do I play for the audition?  
*Students will play an etude, which your director will have for you. You will also be asked to play a few memorized scales. Your director will also have the scales you will play. **There will also be a sight-reading portion.***
- Is there a fee for participation?
  - *There is a \$15 fee per audition*
  - *If selected, the fee is **\$80.00***
  - *Housing, transportation and meals will be the student/parent/guardian responsibility.*
- What is the Registration Deadline for auditions?  
***The deadline for your All-State application is Wednesday, October 1, 2025. If interested in auditioning, please let your director know before this date.***

We look forward to your participation in this Michigan All-State Event.

Best wishes,  
MSBOA

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- **ALL-STATE BAND - Grades 9-12**
- **ALL-STATE ORCHESTRA - Grades 9-12**
- **ALL-STATE JAZZ ENSEMBLE - Grades 9-12**

Dear 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Band & Orchestra Students of MSBOA Member Schools,

High school band and orchestra students from MSBOA Member Schools, in grades 9-12 are invited to audition for the Michigan All-State Band, Jazz Ensemble or All-State Full Orchestra. The three high school All-State ensembles will be representing music education as part of the **21<sup>st</sup> Annual Michigan Music Conference (MMC) held on January 22-24, 2026**. There will also be two All-State groups for middle school students, however this notice is specifically for 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. If selected from your audition, you will join hundreds of other top instrumentalists from across the state of Michigan in Grand Rapids for this three-day event.

Your questions might be:

- How do I become part of the All-State Band, Jazz Ensemble or Orchestra?  
*Students will audition to determine the top students at your grade level from all of Michigan.*
- When are the auditions?  
***Audition dates are Wednesday, October 15 through Sunday, October 19, 2025***  
*(Please see your director for the specific dates in your MSBOA District)*
- Where are the auditions?  
*There will be a site close to your school. Sites will be announced to your director.*
- What music do I play for the audition?  
*Students will play an etude, which your director will have for you. You will also be asked to play a few memorized scales. Your director will also have the scales you will play. **There will also be a sight reading portion.***
- Is there a fee for participation?
  - *There is a \$15 fee per audition*
  - *If selected, the fee is **\$80.00***
  - *Housing, transportation and meals will be the student/parent/guardian responsibility.*
- What is the Registration Deadline for auditions?  
***The deadline for your All-State application is Wednesday, October 1, 2025. If interested in auditioning, please let your director know before this date.***

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MSBOA

# 2025-2026 MSBOA All-State Student Audition Worksheet

**Directors:** Registration for All-State auditions is done online at [audition.opusevent.com](https://audition.opusevent.com). The following information is needed for each audition. We suggest your students complete this form to supply the information needed for the online registration.

**Category:** Group student is auditioning for (check one):

- ☐ HS Band
- ☐ HS Full Orchestra *(Choose this only for Strings or Harp. Winds and percussion for this group will be pulled from the students auditioning for the HS Band.)*
- ☐ HS Jazz Ensemble
- ☐ MS Band
- ☐ MS String Orchestra

Student's Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(This email address should be the student's personal email address as many schools block outside emails.)*

Student's Home Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's City: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's State: MI Student's Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(This email address must be different than the student's email address.)*

Parent's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Audition Site/Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Audition Time:

- ☐ Early
- ☐ Middle
- ☐ Late

Student's Grade (7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12): \_\_\_\_\_

Would the student like to be considered for the High School Full Orchestra's Wind/Perc section?  
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*(This question should be answered **yes or no** by all HS Piccolos, Flutes, Oboes, Bassoons, Clarinets, Bass Clarinets, Trumpets, Horns, Trombones, Tubas, and Percussion.)*

List any accommodations written in the student's 504 or IEP that need to be taken into consideration for the audition (not all accommodation will be applicable to the audition):

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