

The Pennsylvania All-State Vocal Jazz Ensemble 2010

Pennsylvania Music Educators Association Conference

April 21-24, 2010, Pittsburgh, PA

Directors who wish to have their students (grades 10-12 only) considered for selection should:

1. Complete the application form (photocopy or download from PMEA/MENC homepage). Director must be a current PMEA member.
2. Submit a completed application form, a photocopy of the director's PMEA/MENC membership card, an audition **DVD-R** (no mini discs) and a photograph or digital photograph of the student.
3. Label the **DVD-R** case box with the following information: (DO NOT PRINT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON THE **DVD-R** ITSELF)
 - a. Student's name
 - b. Voice part
 - c. Grade in school
 - d. Director's name
 - e. School address
4. Have application postmarked by Friday, December 18, 2009.
5. Expect notification by February 12, 2010. Audition DVD-Rs will not be returned.
6. The director is asked to view the recording and verify the audition is consistent with the student's level of performance.
7. Incomplete applications or applications postmarked after December 18, 2009 will not be accepted.

AUDITION MATERIAL

1. Sing two (2) different major scales in swing eighth notes using jazz syllables of your choice (ascending and descending; tempo: quarter note=100; one octave; include the ninth on top).
2. Sing *Skylark*, found on pages 23-24 of *It Had to Be You: 24 Standards in Singer's Keys*, Volume 107, by Jamey Aebersold (published by Jamey Aebersold Jazz, Inc.). Sing unaccompanied using the lyrics in ballad tempo. Change the key to suit your range. Sing one (1) complete chorus.
3. Sing *I Thought About You*, found on page 18 of *It Had to Be You: 24 Standards in Singer's Keys*, Volume 107, by Jamey Aebersold (published by Jamey Aebersold Jazz, Inc.). Sing one chorus unaccompanied using scat syllables in medium swing tempo. Change the key to suit your range.
4. Sing *Summertime*, found on pages 15-16, using the accompaniment provided with *It Had to Be You: 24 Standards in Singer's Keys*, Volume 107, by Jamey Aebersold (published by Jamey Aebersold Jazz, Inc.). Sing the first chorus using melody and lyrics; improvise on the second and third choruses using scat syllables. Stylistically appropriate interpretations of the melody are acceptable.

Send your application materials to:

David Cree
206 Limestone Dr.
Bellefonte, PA 16823

(Did you include a photocopy of your PMEA membership card and a photo of the student?)

Auditions for PMEA All-State Jazz Ensembles are "blind" auditions. Each DVD is listened to by a minimum of two different judges whose ratings are not known by the other judges. Judges include jazz professionals and jazz educators (ONLY if they do NOT have a student auditioning).

If selected for the vocal jazz ensemble, the student will no longer be eligible for any of the other All-State ensembles.

All materials must be postmarked by Wednesday, December 18, 2009

Student Application Form for the 2010 PMEA All-State Vocal Jazz Ensemble

Student Name _____ Grade in School (circle) 10 11 12

Home Address _____ Home Phone (____) _____

City _____ Zip _____ Email Address _____ AGE _____

Vocal Part (circle one)

Soprano I	Soprano II	Alto I	Alto II	Tenor I	Tenor II	Bass I	Bass II
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Director's Name _____ Home Phone (____) _____

Name of School _____ School Phone (____) _____

School Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Director's E-mail Address _____

Director's Cell Phone Number (____) _____

PMEA/MENC Number and
Expiration Date

DIRECTOR: I certify that this student is a member in good standing in our school's appropriate performing organization. I also verify that I have watched the DVD-R included with this application and certify that the level of performance is consistent with this student's ability.

(Director's Signature)

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR: I certify that this student is academically eligible to participate in the All-State Festival, and that the student is of good character.

(Administrator's Signature)

PARENT / GUARDIAN: I hereby grant permission for our son/daughter to participate in the PMEA All-State Festival and all related activities. Our student will participate in the All-State Vocal Jazz Ensemble if selected.

(Parent / Guardian Signature)

If selected for the vocal jazz ensemble, the student will no longer be eligible for any of the other All-State ensembles.

**Remember you must submit a photo of the student along with this application!
Deadline: December 18, 2009**