

ILLINOIS MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION
District IX Junior High Festival
Plano High School
November 7, 2009

Enclosures:

- Information for directors and performing students
- Program for the festival day

Location:

Plano High School is located at 704 W. Abe St. in Plano, IL 60545. The school is located three blocks north of Rt. 34.

Automobile Parking:

The main parking lot is on the west side of the high school. There is additional parking available on the east side and behind the football stadium.

Festival Entrance and Bus Parking:

Busses should enter the west parking lot (the lot by the football field) and proceed to the Athletic entrance by the tennis courts to drop off students. A large purple and white rectangular sign on the side of our large gym labels the Athletic entrance. Busses may then park in the west parking lot for the remainder of the day. All IMEA directors and students will enter in the Athletic entrance.

Registration:

Upon arrival, all directors should check in at the tables just inside the Athletic entrance.

Student Participation and Payment of Fees:

Only those students whose names appear on the OFFICIAL BILLING LIST OF SELECTEES may participate in the festival. Emergency substitutions may be made under the following conditions:

1. The substitute performs on the same instrumental or vocal part as the original selectee; and
2. The director making the substitution obtains approval from the appropriate ORGANIZATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE.

All fees must be paid before the festival. Fees are to be sent to the IMEA state office in Mokena.

Dress:

Boys: White dress shirts with tie, dark blue/black pants, and appropriate shoes and socks. NO GYM SHOES!

Girls: White blouse and solid dark blue/black pants or skirt, and appropriate shoes.
NO GYM SHOES!

Instruments and Equipment:

- All band and orchestra students must bring folding music stands. Label all items with student and school names.
- Percussion equipment furnished for instrumental ensembles will include: timpani, bass drum, chimes, mallet instruments, snare drums, and cymbals. Percussionists need to bring their own mallets and sticks.
- There will be a piano for choir rehearsal space.
- Participating students must provide all band and orchestra instruments.
- All students need to bring a sharpened pencil to rehearsals.
- Chorus students must provide a black music folio for the concert.
- Cello and bass students, please bring rock stops to put under your endpins. Bass students must bring their own stool.

Music:

Students have been issued music for Band and Orchestra. They must bring the music to the festival and leave it on their chairs at the conclusion of the program. Chorus students should bring their own music and return it to their respective schools. **STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO PREPARE ALL MUSIC PRIOR TO THE ARRIVAL AT THE FESTIVAL.**

Instrument Repair:

A light instrument repair service will be available in the hallway between the two gyms. Service will be provided by Ellman's Music out of Naperville, IL. Please make sure that all instruments are in good working order for the festival. String students should bring extra strings, etc.

Health Service:

A nurse will be on duty if health concerns arise.

Behavior:

Directors: You are totally responsible for the attendance and conduct of your students during the festival. Please attend the festival all day, and check with your students at mealtime and when they have free time. No students should leave the campus for any reason during the festival without his/her respective director's approval and supervision.

Admission to the Concert:

Directors, please encourage parents to attend the concert. There will be a \$3.00 admission charge, with children under 12 receiving free admission. The doors for the

concert will open at 2:15 p.m., and the concert will begin at 3:00 p.m. The concert should conclude no later than 5:00 p.m. Directors should be on hand to assist with student moves or stage changes, but most importantly to supervise their own students.

Business Meetings:

All directors should attend the business meetings. Please bring suggestions for music (scores if you have them) and recommendations for conductors. Please bring director addresses, phone numbers, fax numbers, and email addresses to share. We will also discuss audition and festival sites for the upcoming year.

8:00a.m. JEM Registration	Band Room
8:30a.m. Elementary Choral Reading Session	Large Group Instruction Room
9:30a.m. Director's (all 3 divisions) meeting	Cafeteria
10:00a.m. Band Director Business Meeting	Library
10:00a.m. Choral Director Business Meeting	Cafeteria
10:00a.m. Orchestra Director Business Meeting	J217

Director's Schedule

8:15-8:45 Students and Directors arrive. Registration and check-in is in the hallway inside the athletic entrance. In an effort to avoid congestion, please direct your students to their rehearsal areas at this time. Payments for student and director lunches will be accepted at this time. Student coats, cases, and concert clothes will go with them to their respective rehearsal areas for now. Breakfast items will be available for the directors in the cafeteria.

9:00a.m. Rehearsals begin for students, Director's meeting in cafeteria, breakfast foods available for directors in the cafeteria until 10:00a.m.

Band: Main Gym, coats and cases on the south side bleachers

Orchestra: Auxiliary Gym, coats and cases on bleachers

Chorus: Auditorium, coats and belongings on stage

No food or drink except water is allowed in any rehearsal space.

9:30a.m. Director's (all 3 divisions) meetings Cafeteria

10:00a.m. Business meetings (see above section for locations)

11:00a.m. Band Directors Lunch Band Room

12:00p.m. Orchestra Directors Lunch Band Room

1:00p.m. Choral Directors Lunch Band Room

2:30p.m. Band, Orchestra, and Chorus proceed to the Main Gym for performance

3:00p.m. FINAL CONCERT

Student Schedule

8:15-8:45 Students and Directors enter in the athletic entrance. Students will proceed directly to rehearsal locations. Cases, coats, and clothes will be stored in your respective rehearsal areas.

Junior Band – cases and coats will be stored in the south side bleachers

9:00a.m. Rehearse in the main gym*
11:00a.m. Move belongings to Large Group Instruction Room INCLUDING INSTRUMENTS, MUSIC, AND MUSIC STANDS
Lunch in the Cafeteria
11:45a.m. Move to the auxiliary gym and rehearse
1:00p.m. Change for Concert
1:30p.m. Rehearse in the auxiliary gym
2:30p.m. Seated for concert in the main gym
3:00p.m. Concert in main gym

Junior Orchestra – cases and coats will be stored in the bleachers

9:00a.m. Rehearse in the auxiliary gym*
11:45a.m. Lunch in the Cafeteria
12:30p.m. Rehearse in the main gym
1:30p.m. Change for concert
2:00p.m. Rehearse in main gym
2:30p.m. Seated for concert in main gym
3:00p.m. Concert in main gym

Junior Chorus – coats and belongings will be stored on the stage of the auditorium

9:00a.m. Rehearse in the auditorium*
11:00a.m. Rehearse in the main gym
11:45a.m. Rehearse in the auditorium
12:30p.m. Lunch in the cafeteria
1:15p.m. Rehearse in auditorium
2:00p.m. Change for concert
2:30p.m. Seated in concert in main gym

3:00p.m Concert in main gym

*Rehearsal breaks will be at the discretion of the Organizational Representative and Conductor

Director Lunch Information

Director's lunch will be held in the band room. Our director lunch will be a buffet lunch for the cost of \$12.00 per adult. Lunch will include the following:

- Mostaccioli
- Italian Beef
- Tossed Salad
- Bread
- Potato Salad
- Dessert
- Beverage

Cash or check is acceptable. Please make checks payable to "Plano High School Music Boosters." Bring payments to check-in desk or luncheon on the day of the festival. Please make reservations no later than Tuesday, November 3rd. Email your reservation to swebb@plano88.org. Please include your name, your school name, and how many director lunches you are reserving.

Student Lunch Information

Student's lunch will be held in the cafeteria. Student lunches will include a Subway sandwich, chips, and a beverage. Total cost per lunch is \$6.00. Students will have the choice between ham, turkey, spicy Italian, or vegetarian sandwiches.

Payment for student lunches is due on the day of the IMEA festival at the check-in desk. Lunch tickets will be issued to directors upon receiving payment. Cash or check is acceptable. Please make checks payable to "Plano High School Music Boosters." Please make student lunch reservations no later than Tuesday, November 3rd. Email your reservation to swebb@plano88.org. Please include your name, school, total number of student lunches, and types of sandwiches (ham, turkey, spicy Italian, vegetarian) your students would like to purchase.

Lost and Found:

Any items found during the festival will be turned into the registration desk in the hallway between the two gyms.

