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## Missouri Bandmasters Association

All-State Registration Process by Sarah Sacco -MBA President-Elect



The time is here! MO All-State Band Auditions is less than a month away! Are you excited? Nervous? Maybe a little bit of both. Congratulations to everyone who has a student who earned the honor of auditioning for the MO All-State Band! They met the criteria, but now you have to register them...wait...how do I do that? Well don't you worry we have got you covered!

IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER 7-21, 2023 ALL STATE BAND REGISTRATION

DECEMBER 2, 2023
STATE BAND AUDITIONS

JANUARY 24-27, 2024 MMEA

JUNE 16-19, 2024 MBA SUMMER CONVENTION Here is a link to the 2023 Audition and Registration Process. This document is a guide to most things you will need to know for the 2023 MO All-State Band Auditions. You can also find this on <a href="https://missouribandmasters.org/">https://missouribandmasters.org/</a> on the All-State Band tab. Registration is scheduled to open November 7th and close November 21st.

We are currently in the process of updating and improving our registration process. Please make sure you complete every section of the registration which will help us in making sure the audition day and finalizing results runs smoothly. Some of it is going to require you to gather information from your students auditioning. Please do not skip this step and make assumptions for your students. It is vital we have accurate information!

We look forward to a great day and can't wait for your students to get to work with our All-State Band conductor Colonel Don Schofield! If you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out to me at <a href="mailto:presidentelectmba@gmail.com">presidentelectmba@gmail.com</a>

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# Sponsor Feature: Central Methodist University and the University of Central Missouri

Our summer convention would not be possible without the support of our sponsors. This year our Silver Sponsors were the Swinney Conservatory of Music at Central Methodist University and the University of Missouri Music Department. Besides being sponsors, both universities were exhibitors and presenters at the summer convention.

The Central Methodist University Alumni Band, conducted by Professor Skip Vandelicht, performed the opening concert.

Dr. Corey Seapy presented a session to improve intonation the ensemble. "Pitch is a

Thank you CMU and UCM for being silver sponsors for MBA.

### All-State Audition Day by Brad Hudson- MBA President

Missouri All-State Band Auditions will be held at Hickman High School on Saturday, December 2. Auditions will begin at 9:00 A.M. Registration will be open 8:30-11:00 a.m. If payment has not been taken care of prior to audition day it will be done at the registration table.

Announcements such as callbacks and final rosters will be posted at the following site. <a href="https://www.missouriallstateband.org/auditionday.php">https://www.missouriallstateband.org/auditionday.php</a>. Posting of the results will be done no later than Monday, December 4 at 8:00 A.M.

Some rooms will hold a singular audition, while others will have a preliminary and final audition. Once the student's final audition is complete, they are able to leave. Music, director information, and student information will be emailed to the students and their directors within a few days of auditions.

MBA Board of Directors will personally call the first chair player of each section to congratulate them.

This is a fun, long, and stressful day for students, directors, families, and the MBA Board. Please make sure all involved know the process and what to expect.

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