Building Better Bands

How to Prepare for the Summer Convention

The 56th Annual Missouri Bandmasters Association's Summer Convention is a few weeks away. Hopefully this list of tips will help you prepare for the convention.

- Bring your instrument. There are multiple playing opportunities and we need a reading band to make the clinics work.
- Go to the receptions! The snacks and beverages are provided and you will meet people.
- Bring your families. There are a few events for your spouse and children. Bring them to join with us on the meals and enjoy the amenities of Margaritaville. Each meal is \$10 for each non-member.
- Don't overdress! Polos and shorts are normal dress for this convention.
- Take advantage of the Shop Talk Sessions. These are informal and allow you to pop-in and learn. There are shop talk sessions about money, percussion instruments, choosing literature, small school success, and an opportunity to meet the board.
- Talk to the board members. Meet us and let us know how we can serve you.
- TALK to exhibitors. You will have a BINGO card with exhibitor names on it. Once you get a BINGO you can turn it in and get another card. There will be prizes at the end.
- Go to the meal! They are included in your registration. While you are there sit with different people.
- When you see a band director "legend", introduce yourself and start a conversation.
- Take notes! There are going to be some excellent clinics.
- Coffee and Continental Breakfast are provided each morning. The coffee will be ready at the first session and the continental breakfast will be ready at the first break.
- Directors and Spouse Mixer is open to all directors and their adult guests. There is a cost for this meal, but it is a great time for you and your families to get to know others.

Make your reservations NOW <u>(573) 348-3131</u> <u>CLICK TO RESERVE</u>

Important Dates

June 15-18, 2025 MBA Summer Convention

December 6, 2025 All-State Auditions

January 27-31, 2026 MMEA

Summer Convention Performing Groups

Warrensburg Community Band

St. Joseph Big Band

Show-Me Brass

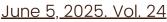
Truman Rocks

Convention Prices

Daily Room Rate: \$179 ON SITE Amounts

- Active = \$125
- Retired=\$80
- First Year=\$60
- Collegiate=\$35
- HOF=0







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