

Hello Everybody,

This is a quick reminder that the PMEA Festival season is upon us!

**Junior High District Chorus info:** your student contracts, medical forms, and director preference sheets are all due to be sent (postmarked) by September 19, 2011. That is just around the corner. The Junior High District Chorus policy allows the host to set the date, and Kim needs them in order to prepare the list of names for the selection meeting. Selections will happen at Corry HS on September 25, at 2:00pm. The Junior High District Chorus Festival will take place on November 11-12 at Corry High School.

**Senior High District Chorus, District Band and District Jazz Band:** Our policy manuals state, "All paperwork must be sent to the host director, postmarked on or before September 21 of each year. If the 21<sup>st</sup> of the month falls on a Sunday, a postmark of September 22<sup>nd</sup> will be accepted. Any school whose director has not submitted their paperwork to the host director prior to the selection meeting, which is held on the first Sunday of October, will not be permitted to participate in the festival."

We hear about late paperwork at every meeting (for 20 years I have been hearing about this...), let's make this the first year that we do not have to mention late papers. Please, fill them out early and send them early. Be sure they are completely filled out with all signatures in place before sending them. The required documents are online at the PMEA District 2 website and can be found at <http://www.pmeadistrict2.com/index.html>. The necessary documents are: Student Contract, Student Medical Form, and Director's Preference Sheet. Students applying for multiple festivals must complete the contracts and medical forms for each festival.

**District Jazz Band Auditions:** November 17, Youngsville High School.

If you are unclear about any policy issue or audition procedure, please refer to the "ByLaws and Policy" page on our PMEA District 2 website at <http://www.pmeadistrict2.com/policy/policy.html>. You will find the answers to every question in the policy manuals.

Please understand that paperwork **will not** be accepted at the selection meeting, you must send it or deliver it prior to that time.

If you normally attend our festivals and, for whatever reason, cannot attend this year, please send me an email notifying me in advance. [gpeters@conneautsd.org](mailto:gpeters@conneautsd.org)

**The Senior High Band and Chorus selection meetings** will be held, as per policy, on October 2, 2011, at 2:00pm. The location this year will be at Corry High School – special thanks Brian Gresh for opening his building for us. This is a relatively central location for the district.

***Thank you for your ongoing support of our great festival system. We hear from countless guest directors concerning the level of preparedness and high quality of our system, and the reality is that you – the directors – are the system. I never take for granted the high level of giftedness you bring to our district and value beyond measure your willingness to share those gifts with others!***

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