

District 12 KMEA Fall Meeting
August, 24, 2024, Ballard High School, 7:00 p.m.



Agenda

1. Call to order. Please sign in using the [QR code](#) on the right.
The sign-in sheet is available [here](#).
2. Approval of [agenda](#)
3. Approval of minutes from the most recent district meetings
[Winter Meeting Minutes](#) [Summer Meeting Report](#)
4. Officer reports (* indicates current proxy until item 7b for vote)
 - a. **President**, Joe Stivers, Echo Trail MS
 - b. **President-Elect** - Dr. Kevin Callihan, YPAS
 - c. **[Secretary & Treasurer](#)** - Michelle Gilfert, Farnsley MS
 - d. **[Band Chair](#)** - Conner Kinmon, YPAS
 - e. **[Choral Chair](#)** - Alexis Paxton, Louisville Male HS
 - f. **[Orchestra Chair](#)** - Robert Dixon*, Louisville Male HS
 - g. **[Instrumental Jazz Chair](#)** - Matt Yarborough, St. X HS
 - h. **[Marching Band Chair](#)** - Carl Kling, Ballard HS
 - i. **[General Music Chair \(K-5\)](#)** - Carolyn Fassio*, Indian Trail ES
 - j. **[General Music Chair \(6-12\)](#)** - Krista Mueller*, Crosby MS
 - k. **[Middle School Band Chair](#)** - Adam Bullock, WMSFA
 - l. **[Middle School Choral Chair](#)** - Russell Cooper, Noe MS
 - m. **[College/University Chair](#)** - Dr. Amy Acklin*, University of Louisville
 - n. **[Mentoring Chair](#)** - Lori Knapke, Echo Trail MS
 - o. **[Community Music Chair](#)** - Tina Gibson*, JCTMS
 - p. **[Special Learners Chair](#)** - Jackie Shamblen, Academy of Individual Excellence
 - q. **[Technology Chair](#)** - Dr. Lawrence McCrobie, Valley High School
 - r. **[Choral Assessment Manager](#)** - Terri Foster, Louisville Youth Choir
 - s. **[Band Assessment Manager](#)** - Sarah McClave
 - t. **[Orchestra Assessment Managers](#)** - Large Ensemble-Chrissy Givan, Solo and Small Ensemble-Adam McIntyre
 - u. **[JCPS Choir](#)** - Gregory Monsma, Butler HS & Katie Jordan, Eastern HS
 - v. **[JCPS Music](#)** - Paul Robinson
5. **[Report from KMEA State Office](#)**
6. Reports of special committees
 - a. Nominating for State Awards Reminders
 - i. [District 12 Members not eligible for state awards](#)
 - ii. The state awards are intended for a single individual.
Not eligible: co-teachers, departments, districts, etc. Forms are due to the KMEA Office by November 1st.

7. Nominations and elections—[report form](#)
 - a. Nominations for state offices
 - i. State President-Elect ([pg 25](#))
 - ii. State Choral Chair-Elect ([pg 28](#))
 - iii. State Middle School Band Chair-Elect ([pg 29](#))
 - iv. State Orchestra Chair-Elect ([pg 30](#))
 - v. State Gen Music K-5 Chair-Elect ([pg 31](#))
 - b. Elect district officers and confirm the names of continuing officers. All officers must be current KMEA/NAfME members.
 - i. Elect District 12 General Music 6-12 Chair
 1. Kristin Mueller, Crosby MS
 - ii. Elect District 12 Orchestra Chair
 1. Robert Dixon, Male HS
 - iii. Elect College/University Chair
 1. Dr. Amy Acklin, University of Louisville
 - iv. Elect Community Music Chair
 1. Tina Gibson, JCTMS and Director of River City Band Director
 - v. Elect General Music Chair (K-5)
 1. Carolyn Fassio, Indian Trail Elementary School
 - vi. District 12 full slate of officers: (all offices will end in spring 2026, with the exception of the President-elect, whose term is 2026-2028. We will elect all officers on even-numbered years going forward if the state measure passes on the vote in February.)
 1. **President** - [Joe Stivers](#), Echo Trail Middle School
 2. **President-Elect** - [Dr. Kevin Callihan](#), YPAS
 3. **Secretary/Treasurer** - [Michelle Gilfert](#), Farnsley Middle School
 4. **Band Chair** - [Conner Kinmon](#), Eastern High School
 5. **Choral Chair** - [Alexis Paxton](#), Louisville Male High School
 6. **Orchestra Chair** - [Robert Dixon](#), Male High School
 7. **Instrumental Jazz Chair** - [Matt Yarborough](#), St. X High School
 8. **Marching Band Chair** - [Carl Kling](#), Ballard HS
 9. **General Music Chair (K-5)** - [Carolyn Fassio](#), Indian Trail ES
 10. **General Music Chair (6-12)** - [Krista Mueller](#), Crosby MS
 11. **Middle School Band Chair** - [Adam Bullock](#), Carrithers MS
 12. **Middle School Choral Chair** - [Russell Cooper](#), Noe MS
 13. **College/University Chair** - [Dr. Amy Acklin](#), University of Louisville
 14. **Mentoring Chair** - [Lori Knapke](#), Echo Trail Middle School
 15. **Community Music Chair** - [Tina Gipson](#), JCTMS & River City Band Director
 16. **Special Learners Chair** - [Jackie Shamblen](#), Academy of Individual Excellence

17. **Technology Chair** - [Dr. Lawrence McCrobie](#), Valley High School

- c. Select district award recipients who may become [state award candidates](#)
 - i. Elementary Teacher of the Year, Katie Allen
 - ii. Middle School Teacher of the Year, Russell Cooper
 - iii. High School Teacher of the Year, Dr. Kevin Callihan, YPAS
 - iv. College/University Teacher of the Year, Dr. Michael Alsop, University of Louisville
 - v. Administrator of the Year, Jason Watts, Carrithers Middle School
 - vi. Citation for Service, Paul Metzger, Retired Band Director
 - vii. Friend of Music, John Jones, Low Brass Instructor
 - d. Members may register for 25, 30, 35, and 40-Year Awards [via a survey](#) found on the KMEA Conference webpage.
8. Old business (if any)
9. New business
- a. Local Dues are \$5. These dues are used for District 12 Award Frames, Retirement clocks, Summer Meeting reception supplies, bereavement flowers for household members of District 12 members, music commissions, etc.
 - b. **Cash** or **check** made payable to “District 12 Music Educators” and given to Treasurer Michelle Gilfert
 - c. **Venmo** @Joseph-Stivers
Select Friends & Family *not* “Purchases” switch

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10. Announcements:

- a. Congratulations to the following ensembles for being selected to perform at the 2025 KMEA Conference.
 - i. Brass Band of Louisville, Dr. Jason Cumberledge
 - ii. University of Louisville Women’s Chorus, Won Joo Ahn
 - iii. Western Middle School for the Arts Choir, Katie Cook
 - iv. Youth Performing Arts School Jazz Ensemble, Dr. Kevin Callihan

- v. Youth Performing Arts School Philharmonia Orchestra, Michele Shieh-Barbosa
- b. Congratulations to the following clinicians for being invited to present at the 2025 KMEA Conference
 - i. "Gender Specific Tips & Trips to Engage the Middle School Boy in your Music Classroom" –Joe Stivers, Echo Trail Middle School
 - ii. "Tips on Running an Efficient Choral Rehearsal" –Dr. Kent Hattebert, University of Louisville
 - iii. "Instrument Repair for Band Directors" –Alexander Aldridge, Doss High School
 - iv. "Bad to the Bone: Responding to Challenging Student Behavior with Compassion" –Melissa Lloyd, University of Louisville
 - v. "Guitar Repertoire Made Easy: A Comprehensive Graded List" –Dr. Stephen Mattingly, University of Louisville
 - vi. "Guitar Repertoire Made Easy: A Comprehensive Graded List" –Ascher Taylor-Schroeder, YPAS
 - vii. "An Alternate Way to Teach Young Percussionist" –Diane Downs, The Louisville Leopard Percussionist
 - viii. "We Belong Together: Cultivating Identity and Inclusivity through Creative Composition" –Melissa Lloyd, University of Louisville
 - ix. "Basic Preparations for Jazz Soloing" –Jamey Aebersold
 - x. "Jazz Music Reading Session" –Dr. David Clark, University of Louisville
 - xi. "Jazz Music Reading Session" –Dr. Jerry Tolson, University of Louisville
 - xii. "Walking on Eggshells" –Melissa Lloyd, University of Louisville
 - xiii. "Be a Techy Teacher with Interactive Performances and Digital Projects" –Amy Cuence, Bowen Elementary
 - xiv. "No Money, No Sectional Staff, No Problem! Growing Something out of Nothing in a Small School Band" –Matt Wooten, Christian Academy of Louisville
- 11. Please remember to submit materials for state awards (see links in 7 c).
- 12. Photos of District winners (coming soon)
- 13. Adjournment

[Click here for minutes recorded by Michelle Gilfert](#)