Congratulations!

We look forward to your exceptional experience in the

2026 OMEA All-State Elementary School Honor Choir

OMEA All-State Elementary Honor Choir Information

All-State Dates: Saturday, January 17, 2026

Note: This is a **ONE day** event. There is no overnight stay for elementary students.

Choir Ensemble Managers

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Check-In

Saturday, January 17, 8:30am – 9:00am
Students need to be in rehearsal at 9:00am. Students are responsible for their own breakfast prior to check in.

First Baptist Church - Lobby
3550 Fox Meadow Road
Eugene, Oregon 97408

Parking is available in the church parking lot. Please do not enter via the Gym entrance.

General Information

Food
Lunch for students is included in All-State registration fees. Students should bring snacks and a water bottle. If a student has specific dietary needs they should bring supplemental foods.

Transportation
Students need a ride to and from the All-State event in Eugene. Students will not be transported off premises during the day Saturday.

What to Wear
Students should wear school-appropriate clothing for rehearsals. Performance apparel will be black pants or a black skirt and the official OMEA All-State t-shirt (included in the cost of registration). Do not bring expensive jewelry, irreplaceable items, or inappropriate clothing.

Pick-up
Students and their belongings are to be picked up at the conclusion of their performance on Saturday.

Don't Forget to Bring:

- Music
- A pair of black pants or skirt
- Black socks
- Black dress shoes
- Water Bottle (labeled with your name)
- Snacks
- Any necessary prescription medication
- All needed personal items

Performance Information

Saturday, January 17 at 5:00 pm

First Baptist Church - Sanctuary

3550 Fox Meadow Road
Eugene, OR 97408

Tickets

Tickets for the Elementary Choir concert are $8 for adults and $2 for children 17 and under. Tickets MUST be purchased ahead of time through Seat Yourself by **clicking here**. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

Choir Concert Parking

Parking will be available in the church parking lot.

Recordings & Photographs

Due to copyright regulations, recording devices (including video) are not allowed in the concert hall. Flash photography is not allowed during the concert. An official audio recording will be made of the concert and sent to Parents/Guardians after the event has ended. A professional photographer will take photos. You may find the photograph order form here: https://musicalmemoriesphoto.com/product/oregon-music-education-association-2026/

Please visit the **All-State Event Information** page for updates as we get closer to the event.

OMEA ALL-STATE MERCHANDISE



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HIGH SCHOOL ONLY
(INCLUDED FOR ELEM/MIDDLE PARTICIPANTS)

2026 SWEATSHIRT $49

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DECEMBER 28, 2025

PLAQUES

Student Performer - $44



Director / Teacher School Plaque - $41



STUDENT PERFORMER PLAQUE $44

The Student Performer Plaque will have the All-State logo and the following text:

STUDENT PERFORMER NAME
Instrument / Voice
School
Name of Ensemble

DIRECTOR/SCHOOL PLAQUE $41

The Director/School Plaque will have the All-State logo and the following text:

SCHOOL NAME
Student Names in All-State from this program/ school (teacher provides names)
Director Name

Musical MEMORIES

OMEA All-State 2026

Dear Music Participant,

This is to let you know that 8"x12" photographs will be taken of your entire musical performance group as well as the instrument or voice section in which you are performing Each photo can be purchased for $22 and will be mailed to the address provided within 6 weeks of the concert. **(please note, these are not individual portraits).**

Use your mobile device camera to scan the QR code below to access the print order form or visit Musicalmemoriesphoto.com and click on Order Prints to find your event.

Phone: 516-987-6294 Email:info@musicalmemoriesphoto.com 32 Roe Ct. Islip, NY. 11751

OMEA All-State Student Information, Rules, & Procedures

1. **Students are not allowed to ride in private vehicles while at All-State**. Students may not leave the group to spend time with family or friends. Students are required to stay under the supervision of OMEA managers and chaperones for the entirety of the event.

2. **Come prepared: all music is to be learned prior to arrival.** Choir students' music should be near memorized. Decisions about chair assignments have been left to the screeners and managers; there may be some auditions for solo parts. Students may also be tested on their parts.

3. **Do not forget your music!**

4. **Remember your concert clothes!** Elementary and middle school students will be provided with an OMEA All-State t-shirt for their performance. They need to wear black pants or skirts, black socks and black shoes. High school students are to wear their regular school performance apparel (choir robes, concert black, etc.)

5. **Meals**: All-State student meals have been pre-paid. Do not plan to go out to eat as there is no time. You may bring snacks as some of the days are long. If you have special dietary needs, bring food to supplement your meals.

6. **Stay with your group at all times.** Attendance will be checked at the start of each rehearsal. Be on time for all rehearsals. If you become ill, you must communicate this to your ensemble manager.

7. **Name tags** must be worn at all times.

8. There will be no use of mobile devices, calls, or texts during rehearsals.

9. **Refund policy:** No refunds shall be made except for medical or family emergencies. A letter from a physician for medical excuses, or parent/guardian for family emergencies, must accompany the request for refund. Each case will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In either case, 50% of the fee will be retained. Refunds are <u>not</u> given in cases of inclement weather/road conditions unless the entire event is canceled by OMEA. Email the details concerning any refund request to executivedirector@oregonmea.org.

OMEA All-State Policies and Procedures

SECTION 12.A TEACHER MEMBERSHIP AND CONFERENCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Teachers of students of all ages in OMEA honor groups shall be required to register for the full conference, pay in full, and be current NAfME/OMEA members. If found to be in violation, that school's specific discipline (i.e., band, orchestra, choir) will be sanctioned from participating in honor groups until the bill is paid in full. In extenuating circumstances where a registered teacher is unable to attend, they may designate a fully registered proxy OMEA member teacher who is able to support students in case of emergency or disciplinary action.

12.B ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE SCHOOL, & JUNIOR HIGH AUDITIONS

1. Elementary Honor Choir: students at the state and the district level must be selected by director recommendation, not by taped or live audition. Events not following these guidelines will not be OMEA-sanctioned and may not use OMEA state or district funds. (1/12/02)
2. Middle and Junior High School Honor Ensembles:
    a. Middle and Junior High School Honor Band and Orchestra: Students who wish to audition for middle and Junior High school All-State band and/or orchestra are required to record and submit three tracks online, in order for students to demonstrate the skill sets required for All State (refer to official audition materials posted on the OMEA website for specific requirements):
        i. Band: Chromatic Scale, one lyrical etude, one technical etude
        ii. Orchestra: Instrument-specific scale, one lyrical etude, one technical etude
    b. Middle and Junior High School All-State Honor Choir: Students who wish to audition for Middle and Junior High School All-State Choir are required to record and submit two (2) tracks online, in order for students to demonstrate the skill sets required for All-State (refer to official audition materials posted on the OMEA website for specific requirements)
        i. Treble Choir: Voice-specific 8-note scale, one etude
        ii. Tenor/Baritone/Bass Choir: Voice-specific 5-note scale, one etude
3. At least one student from each school will be selected into All-State provided they are ranked by screeners in the top 50% of the auditions submitted for their instrument category.
    a. If submissions from an individual school are only in these instrument categories, regardless of ranking, there is no guarantee of school representation: oboe, bassoon, bass clarinet, tenor saxophone, baritone saxophone, and percussion.
    b. Participants from a single school may be limited to eight (8) students in each ensemble, regardless of audition ranking.

12.C ALL-STATE STUDENTS

1. To be eligible for an All-State honor group, the music student shall be enrolled in the class for the appropriate performing ensemble for the instrument/voice on which they are auditioning.
2. Where there is no corresponding musical group offered at school, a student must be an active participant in another school music program at their school and have the approval of the teacher of that music class.
3. We welcome home school students as long as they are regularly participating in a school music class, offered for credit, and taught by a current OMEA member.
4. If there is an appropriate performing ensemble available at the school and the student does not participate in the school program, the student may not participate in All-State.
5. The OMEA member teacher submitting the student audition must attend the conference and accept all the responsibilities of a teacher with an All-State student, if the student is selected.
6. If there are no music classes offered in the school the student attends, students may be recommended by an OMEA member who teaches/taught the student. The OMEA member must attend the conference and accept all the responsibilities of a teacher with an All-State student.
7. Students must be regularly participating in a school music program from the time of application through the time of the event.
8. It is recommended that students meet OSAA's academic requirements and personal conduct rules to participate in All-State. We advise checking the OSAA website to see if there are changes to the following guidelines.
9. Students are required to stay in the hotel that their performing group is assigned with other All-State students. Students with extenuating circumstances may stay in the All-State hotel with their parents upon the approval of the Executive Board. The decision of the Executive Board is final. Emails concerning special needs requests must be sent no later than 2 months prior to the event. Email requests to the Executive Director.
10. All-State participants must be registered (with all forms completed and signed by all appropriate parties) and paid prior to the posted deadline.
11. Students will not be admitted unless forms are complete and payment made.
12. Unless otherwise stated, All-State participants shall wear performance attire appropriate to their individual school music program policies.
13. No refunds shall be made except for medical or family emergencies within 10 days of the event. A letter from a physician for medical excuses, or parent/guardian for family emergencies, must accompany the request for refund. Each case will be determined on a case-by-case basis by the Executive Board. In either case, 50% of the fee will be retained.

12.D AUDITIONS

1. Teachers and students may not electronically or otherwise enhance any recordings. By submitting the audition materials online, the director attests that these conditions were met. (5/30/2015)
2. If the screening committee agrees that a recording has likely been electronically altered or enhanced, that recording will be disqualified. The decision of the screening committee will be final.
3. By submitting the audition materials online, the director agrees to adhere to all deadlines set by OMEA and understands that all deadlines are final.
4. Audition screening fees are non-refundable.

By participating in the nomination and/or audition process, teachers agree to adhere to all deadlines set by OMEA and understand that all deadlines are final.