MARYLAND MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

2026 Annual Conference
Call for Research Poster Submissions

OVERVIEW

The Maryland Music Educators Association seeks Research Poster Submissions for the 2026 Annual State Conference. Submissions of unpublished research, reviews of literature, action research, and research in progress (including Doctoral Dissertations and Masters Theses in progress) are all welcome. Research must be related to music teaching and learning. Submissions accepted for publication may be considered for this poster session if that research has not yet been published. The proposal must include a statement specifying any prior presentation of the research.

➢ **MMEA Annual State Conference**
Friday-Saturday, February 20-22 2026 - Baltimore Convention Center - Baltimore, MD
The poster session will be held on ***Friday, February 20, 2026***

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

- **December 17**: Submission Deadline
- December 19 to January 7: Review Process
- January 14: Notification of Selected Presenters
- February 20: Poster Session at Annual Conference

Proposals will only be accepted through the online platform form linked below. We will not accept any proposals by email or regular mail.

Session Eligibility

- This **Poster Session** may include completed unpublished research as well as projects in process.
- There may be up to three (3) presenters per poster.
- Professionals of all ages, cultures, and experience levels are encouraged to submit.
- MMEA/NAfME Membership
    - Membership is encouraged, but not required, for all poster presenters applying to present. Please join/renew here.
    - If selected, MMEA/NAfME membership is required for all poster presenters.

- Selected presenters are encouraged to attend the full Annual State Conference, and will be expected to register and attend the conference on the Friday (Single Day), at minimum.

Poster/Session Considerations

- Poster presenters are required to remain by their posters for the entire session to speak with attendees and answer questions.
- Poster dimensions should be no larger than 40” x 40”.
- MMEA will provide the display boards. Posters are attached to the display board with pushpins.
- Presenters must provide pushpins to hang their posters.

Call for Research Poster Required Information

All presenters wishing to be considered must submit a Research Poster Proposal. This application will ask for the following information/materials:

- Presenter(s) name(s), contact information, NAfME membership number and expiration date if applicable), institution affiliation, bio, and headshot.
- Title of the abstract.
- One-page abstract **that does not identify the author(s) in any way. Include the title on the abstract**. Abstract may not exceed 500 words. Abstract should include purpose, methods, and findings, as appropriate for the project.

Proposals not adhering to these guidelines will be automatically rejected.

SUBMISSION FORM

MMEA Annual Conference - Call for Research Poster Proposals

REVIEW/SELECTION PROCESS

- Submissions will go through a multiple-step review process beginning with a blind review and final consideration by the MMEA Conference Committee consisting of board, component officers, and selected members.
- The MMEA Conference Committee reserves the right to select session proposals that best address the given criteria.
- MMEA reserves the right to edit session titles and descriptions.

Notification of acceptance will be emailed to authors in mid-January.

Click here to access the rubric.