

MSBOA District VIII
2021 Fall General Membership Meeting
September 9, 2021 – 7:00PM
Zoom

Call to Order

Officer Reports

Secretary's Report – Adam Snizek
Treasurer's Report – Blake Driver
Band and Orchestra Festival Report – Dave Larzelere
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District Website – Joe McInchak
All-State Ensembles – Nathan Schulte

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Update from State Office – Kevin Culling

Secretary's Report

Officer Reports	7:04 PM meeting called to order, Introductions
Secretary's Report – Adam Snizek	Winter 2021 meeting minutes on file.
Treasurer's Report – Blake Driver	Report on file. Highlights: Paid portion of commission in progress and medals order.
Band and Orchestra Festival Report – Dave Larzelere	Report on file. Highlights: Two band festival options this year, both virtual. 6 ensembles for March, 15 ensembles for May. Dates for 2022, March 3-5 & March 10-12.
High School S&E Festival Report – John Sczcerowski	Report on file. Highlights: Registration deadline for 2021-22, Dec. 3. Haslett and Onsted as host sites. Maybe looking for alternate southern site depending on the Onsted successor? Virtual solo and ensemble went very smooth. Medals order form will be sent out again via email.
Middle School S&E Festival Report – John Kivel	Report on file. Highlights: 13 schools, 128 events for virtual festival (about half as many as HS). Fall S&E Nov. 12 (Host: TBA) and Spring S&E April 23 (Host: Jonesville HS).
Orchestra Activities Report – Kim Kang	Report on file. Highlights: String Reading Session: Sat. Sept. 18th @ Canton HS 8:30am-9am Mid-Level String Clinic: Registration Deadline is Sept. 20th, Clinic Day is Oct. 9th
Adjudication Report – Kellie McInchak	Report on file. Highlights: Judge contracts are out. Looking for a host to hold Adjudication training. Contact Matt Shephard if interested.
Past President - Melissa Marks	Report on file. Highlights: Slate of new officers included. Will vote later in the meeting tonight.
President's Report – Mike Larsen	<p>Report on file. Highlights: Thank you for the support over these past two years. Thank you to our officers, committee chairs, and members at large for your hard work and dedication this year. If you have not served in a position, I encourage you to get involved in some capacity. Any new directors to our district, please reach out to Mike so he can reach out and offer help.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion to approve all reports: Szekely, Throneberry. Approved.</p>

Committee Reports	
Music Education Report – Jeff Szekly	<p>msboamusiced.weebly.com</p> <p>Report on file. Highlights: Please see the website for online resources and helpful apps, music literature diversity, advocacy, and more.</p>
Festival Improvements Report – Patty Pniewski	<p>Report on file. Highlights: Marching Band Festival language updates, clarification, and shifting of categories that students do not have control over are not judged for part of the rating. Electric bass rule change. Piano quality clarification. Still discussing 6th grade students being permitted for solo and ensemble, looking for feedback from the district members.</p>
Marching Band Festival Report– Adam Gumbrecht	<p>(No report)</p>
Middle School Honors Band Report – Bryan Akers & Abby Briggs	<p>Event cancelled for this year. Will pick it back up again next year.</p>
Jazz Report – Kevin Krieger	<p>(No report)</p>
Medals Report – Trevor Trudeau	<p>If you would like to get your ordered medals from last year before the spring meeting, please reach out to Trevor.</p> <p>Potentially will need to update medals cost due to shipping. Trevor will meet with Blake to discuss.</p>
Member Emeritus – Joel Shaner	<p>Know any retired/retiring teachers that should be included in the member emeritus</p>
Commissioning Report – Dave Larzelere	<p>Kim Archer is working on our commission. Planning on a completion date around fall 2022.</p>
District Website- Joe McInchak	<p>Send your reports to Joe so they can be added to the website. Ideas for improvement? Reach out to Joe.</p>
All-State Ensembles- Nathan Schulte	<p>Feedback for Nathan, please reach out. Certainly, a challenging year for All-State Ensembles.</p>

OLD BUSINESS	
	(No Old Business)

NEW BUSINESS	
Proposed Calendar	Proposed dates for future years are included in the report.
State Office Update	Report on file.
Teacher of the Year	Teacher of the Year Nominations Band: Lynn Kelsey Orchestra: (no nominations)
Officer Positions	Unanimous ballot cast for slate of officers - Motion: Shaner, Marks, Passed. Congratulations and thank you for your future service!
Announcements	Meeting Adjourned at 8:04 PM: Shaner, Larzelere, Approved

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report

Fall 2021

Blake Driver

Account Balance: \$23735.98

All monies have been deposited. We continue to pay \$25 per month for Quickbooks accounting subscription.

We are in a solid financial position at this time and no fee changes are recommended for this year.

Upcoming expenses include the second half (\$2000) of the Kimberly Archer commission project and the purchase of medals.

A kind reminder to the chairs of events to get me the checks in a timely manner. Many checks from schools have the "Void after 60 days or 90 days" on them and although the bank has still accepted them, they have mentioned to me that we need to stay closer to that statement. Also, it's not always nice to deposit a director's personal check months after it was written. Personal checks are still fine, but make sure your school name is in the memo line in case there's ever a problem.

Email with any questions. driverb@pennfield.net

**MSBOA DISTRICT 8
BAND & ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL
Fall Report – September 7th, 2021**

Deadline is January 7th, 2021

DATES FOR 2022 BAND AND ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL.

- December 6, 2021 – Online Registration opens
- January 7, 2022 – Deadline for registration (I will take hard copies at the Winter Meeting!)
- March 3-5 – Charlotte, Jackson, Okemos
- March 10-12 – Grand Ledge (Friday only), Parma, Manchester

SITES FOR 2022

Requests to host for 2022 have been received (in order of delivery) from Jackson, Charlotte, Manchester, Okemos, Parma, and Grand Ledge (I think! If this isn't accurate, please let me know ASAP!). The application to host is on the District 8 website at:

<https://sites.google.com/site/msboa8/important-documents>.

Please speak with me or email me if you would like to host or have questions.

SCHEDULING The registration deadline (postmark or hand-delivered @ Winter meeting) is Friday, January 7th, 2020. Online registration will open on Monday, December 6, 2021. If possible, try to submit your registration before leaving for Winter Break. If you are new to the online scheduling process or have questions, please feel free to contact me (info below) or ask for the help of another experienced director. If you anticipate any issues with your registration or payment, it is extremely important to contact me ahead of the deadline.

From Garret's September 1st email regarding "Relaxed" B/O Rules:

Please be advised there is a committee currently working on specific rule changes, for Band and Orchestra Festival, for the 2021-2022 school year. These rule changes will be temporary and are being developed to support your programs as the MSBOA recognizes, for many of you, this may be a rebuilding year.

**Heidi Schlosser
VP for Band and Orchestra**

Please feel free to contact me by email, phone, or text whenever you have questions. My contact information is listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Larzelere
V.P. for Band and Orchestra Festival
David.larzelere@elps.us
Larzele1@gmail.com
517-980-1500 (cell)
517-333-7304 (office)

High School Solo and Ensemble Report

MSBOA District 8 High School Solo & Ensemble
Thursday, September 9th 2021

FESTIVAL DATE – FEBRUARY 5 2022– FESTIVAL DATE

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

******* FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3rd *******

Locations:

Northern Site:

Haslett High School
5450 Marsh Rd.
Haslett, MI 48840
Dave Gott, Mike Larsen – Directors

Southern Site:

Tecumseh High School
760 Brown St.
Tecumseh, MI 49286
Joe McInchak, Jr. – Director

1) Registration and Mailing Address

1. **Online registration opens Monday, November 8th, 2021**
2. Please read the district handbook for complete guidelines, especially regarding postmark deadlines and grace periods.
3. **Remember to send 2 copies of your invoice.**
4. Late entries are accepted only for schools that have already registered by the stated date. Late entries are assessed an additional \$25 fee per event.
5. If at all possible, please include the accompanist's name on the computer registration. Even if you just put your school name or a fake name, it greatly helps with scheduling.
6. **Consider certified mail or a “proof of mailing” certificate.**
7. **Mail registration materials to Grand Ledge High School:**

John Szczerowski
820 Spring St.
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

8. You will receive an email confirmation from me once I receive your 2 copies of your invoice and payment.

2) Solo & Ensemble fees are set at the following amounts:

Solo	\$12.00
Piano Solo	\$12.00
Duet	\$24.00
Trio	\$36.00
Quartet	\$48.00
Quintet	\$60.00
Sextet	\$72.00
Septet	\$84.00
Octet	\$96.00
Chamber Ensemble	\$96.00

3) **Work Assignments**

1. **Please plan on a full day work assignment.**
2. Be on time to your worker's meeting at either 7:30am or 12:30pm
3. If you cannot fulfill your assignment, it is your responsibility to find a qualified substitute.
4. Keep me informed if you arrange for a substitute or swap assignments with someone.
5. Communication about work assignments, maps, and other festival details is done by email.

4) Original Scores/Solos

1. Each event must provide an original score or solo part for the adjudicator. Read the specific information in the state yearbook about all music related issues including ensemble score alignment and about documentation for music printed from the internet.
2. Solos and ensembles must play for a minimum of two (2) minutes in order to receive a rating. Chamber ensembles must play for a minimum of three (3) minutes.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Szczerowski
VP HS S&E
jszczerowski@gmail.com
231-679-0033

Middle School Solo and Ensemble Report

MSBOA District VIII Report to Membership, Wednesday, September 9th, 2021

Fall Solo and Ensemble Festival

Registration deadline: October 1st

Festival: November 13th Location: TBA

Spring Solo and Ensemble Festival

Registration Deadline: February 11th

Festival: April 23rd Location: Onsted HS

We are looking for a host school for our Fall Solo and Ensemble Festival.
Typically, Fall S&E is in the northern part of the district.

*****If you are able to host Fall MS S&E please let us know*****

Registration:

Registration is online (msboa.org).

Enter events online (include name of accompanists) and print invoice.

Mail 2 copies of invoice along with the check to:

Lumen Christi Catholic School

Attn: John Kivel

3483 Spring Arbor Rd.

Jackson, MI 49203

Helpful Hint: I always give my students a deadline of one week BEFORE my deadline.

Work Assignments:

Anyone registering an event for S&E will be required to complete a work assignment.

Typically at the fall festival, everyone works a full day assignment.

Rules Review:

*Middle School events must be a minimum 90 seconds long.

*Events must provide an original score for the judge.

*No photocopying will be permitted at festival.

*If a published event includes a piano accompaniment, the accompaniment must be played.

*One person plays each part (except for chamber ensembles).

Respectfully submitted:

John Kivel,

VP for Middle School Solo and Ensemble Festival

jkivel@myjacs.org (734)223-9854 (cell)

Orchestra Activities Report

Important Dates:

- String Reading Session: Sat. Sept. 18th @ Canton HS
 - 8:30am-9am Network & Socialize with coffee & snacks
 - 9am-12pm Reading Session

- Mid-Level String Clinic
 - Sept. 20th: Registration Deadline
 - Oct. 9th: Clinic Day

Respectfully,

Kim Kang

kkang@tps.k12.mi.us

Adjudication Report

MSBOA District 8 Adjudication Report
September 9, 2021

Dear MSBOA District 8 Members:

We have many adjudicators hired for our upcoming events this year. Starting off the year, we have our Marching Band Festival. Out of the original invitations, only Roger Stevens has accepted his invitation. Further inquiries have been made. Adjudicator suggestions are welcome as this is time sensitive.

For the Fall Middle School Solo and Ensemble Festival, the following adjudicators have accepted their invitations: Shelley Roland, David Armbruster, Melissa Sayles, Wendy Stuart, Jennifer Hollandsworth, and Jodi Bloss.

I will have a detailed report for the High School Solo and Ensemble and B&O in January. As of present we have more than half of the projected adjudicators hired.

Things to assist this year:

1. If you are a Host Chair for an event, please send me an email about 6 weeks before your event to ask for your adjudicators' contact information. Then, please email them and cc the MSBOA8VPADJUDICATION@gmail.com address with your communication. If there is any issue, please email me at the above address with an URGENT subject and I'll work on it. Please make sure that you are sending these adjudicators their Hotel Information, Site Information and schedule (start and stop times).
2. If you are a VP/Chairperson of an Event, please let me know of any issues and encourage all of the participants to fill out the online evaluations.

As always, please complete your evaluations as it's the input we use to rehire. If we don't have enough participation, the data isn't statistically significant and shouldn't be used. If you have issues, you may also call my cell: 734-576-1578.

Fingers crossed for a more "normal" year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kellie McInchak
VP Adjudication, MSBOA 8

Past President's Report

Welcome to the 2021-2022 School Year! I would also like to extend a welcome to all new district 8 members. If you are new to teaching and/or district 8 one of my jobs is to help find a mentor to help you with anything you need in regards to MSBOA or other general band directing assistance. Please feel free to contact me if you are new or know someone who is new that is not here tonight.

Regards,

Mike Larsen
Past President
Haslett HS/MS

larsenmg@gmail.com

231-342-6820

President's Report

Fall 2021

Welcome back! If you are new to our district, or to the teaching profession, welcome to MSBOA District 8. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need anything. My contact info is below. Please make sure your current email information is updated with the MSBOA State Office.

If you are a teacher with less than five years of experience, or you are new to MSBOA, please speak to me or Mike Larsen. We would like to arrange a mentor for you to contact for any guidance or questions you may have. Veteran directors enjoy helping others, and we can help you navigate all the different aspects (and deadlines) of MSBOA.

Also, if you know of any schools near you that are not currently participating in MSBOA, reach out to them and invite them to participate.

The district calendar is posted below for your convenience, and it is also a stand-alone document on our website. My fingers are crossed that we won't see many changes this year, but we will prepare for the worst as we hope for the best. Be sure to observe all deadlines. If you are having difficulties meeting a deadline, please contact the Vice President in charge of the activity BEFORE the deadline.

The deadline for school membership this year is approaching on September 20th. If you are new to MSBOA or to your school, contact the state office so they can have you update your information.

To get to our District VIII website, first go to www.msboa.org. Scroll down to the map, then click the 8. Here you will find meeting minutes/reports, our handbook, and the calendar. The State Yearbook is only available this year as a digital download. This information is available online and was emailed to your email address you have registered with MSBOA. (www.msboa.org)

Respectfully submitted,
Joe McInchak
MSBOA District VIII President
Tecumseh Public Schools
734-276-3906
msboadistrict8president@gmail.com
jmcinchak@tps.k12.mi.us

Music Education Report

Festival Improvements Committee Report

District 8 FIC Report - 9/9/21

The first FIC meeting of the school year will be held on Saturday, 9/11/21.

If you have any concerns that you want me to bring to the FIC committee, please let me know.

For anyone that is new.....The Festival Improvements Committee (FIC) suggests updates, changes, and clarifications for the Yearbook. Those suggestions are presented to the State Board and approved or denied as they see fit. The process is not immediate. A motion has to go through two meetings before it becomes part of the yearbook.

Last year one of the big projects was to update the Marching Band Festival portion of the yearbook. If you take your groups to festival, look over that section of the yearbook for updates. Also, Marching band sheets are NEW this year, so do not use any old sheets from past years.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Pniewski

FIC Representative

Stockbridge JSHS

pniewskp@panthernet.net

Marching Band Festival Report

MSBOA 8 members:

We are largely hoping for a relatively normal marching band festival experience. As always, things are constantly evolving so please be prepared to change course quickly as needed. Details are as follows:

- Registration deadline of September 17.
- Festival is October 16 (19 rain date).
 - In the event of inclement weather on the primary festival date, the *first* option will be to move to the rain date rather than use a “music only” event on the original date.
- Registration is online (program info) and “traditional” (signatures and checks)
 - This has been emailed to the district
- The only rule suspended for the festival is the minimum time requirement. All other rules are in effect.
- There were several changes to the marching band festival last year by way of FIC. I have included a brief summary of those below (copied and pasted from the previous FIC report).
- There are new adjudication sheets as well. I would recommend looking those over in the yearbook (I do not personally consider these changes drastic but it would still be wise to take a look).

If you have not participated in the marching band festival in past years, I encourage you to check it out! If you are not ready to bring your group to play--bring them to *watch*! They can learn a lot just by being in the crowd and it could help build the hype for the future.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Adam Gumbrecht
Marching Band Festival Chair
agumbrecht@erpsk12.org

Changes to marching band festival from FIC

New adjudication sheets can be located in the current MSBOA yearbook

- Approve the following changes to Section A of Marching Band Festival (p.84):
 - Change “Classification” to “Classification & Eligibility”
 - Section 3: Change “midnight of the deadline date” to “at the deadline set by the District”
 - Section 4: Delete current sentence, change to “Students who have received their high school diploma, or are no longer enrolled in the school district, may not participate in Marching Band Festival.” Brings language in-line with B&O eligibility rules.

- Approve the following change to Section B of Marching Band Festival (p.84):
 - Add new Section 4: “Districts may hire additional qualified individuals to provide commentary on other aspects of a band’s show, such as color-guard, percussion, on-field commentary, etc. However, those individuals and their comments may not affect or influence the rating of the three adjudicators in any way.”
- Approve the following change to Section C of Marching Band Festival (p.84):
 - Insert new Section 2, re-number remaining sections: “2. A band may choose to perform for ‘Comments Only’. It is the director’s responsibility to directly communicate this choice to the Site Chair and/or Host before the Band begins their performance.”
- Approve the following change to Section D of Marching Band Festival (p.85):
 - Change Section 1: “Officials must be certified approved by the District Executive Board or their designee.”
- Approve the following change to Section E of Marching Band Festival (p.85):
 - Add to section 2, part C: “The band may begin their any on-field/backfield warm-up after the preceding band has fully exited the field performing area”.
- Approve the following change to Section F of Marching Band Festival (p.85):
 - Change section 2, part B to read: “Musical An on-field/backfield ‘warm-up’ may be done prior to the start of the show. It should be kept in mind that the on-field warmup cannot begin until the preceding band has fully exited the performing area, and must fit into the fifteen-minute time limit.”
- Approve the following change to Section G of Marching Band Festival (p.86):
 - Add to section 3: “Playing or amplified sound (e.g., metronome) in the aural range of the performance field during the festival may be considered a Code of Conduct violation, for example: parking lots, loading/unloading areas, staging areas, or other places not explicitly designated as music warm-up locations.” Adds clarity to what this rule is meant to focus on.
- Approve the following change to Section G of Marching Band Festival (p.86):
 - Section 4, re-word part B: “In extreme cases, no rating will be given...” rest of sentence as printed.

Middle School Honors Band Report

This position is open.

Jazz Report

District 8 JAZZ FESTIVAL REPORT

September 9, 2021

This year's District VIII Jazz Festival is to be held on Tuesday February 8th at Mason High School. This is a great non-rated event. It is open to both middle school and high school groups. If you have never tried it before, please consider bringing a group this year. Typically groups perform two or three pieces on stage and then receive a 25 minute clinic with one of the jazz faculty from MSU.

Registration will be due December 3, 2021. The fee is \$125.00.

I have reached out to Professor Rodney Whitaker to request that the MSU jazz faculty will once again be our clinicians for the day and have one of the MSU jazz groups perform at noon.

For the last couple of years (before Covid) we have had more groups sign up (the last year - 26 groups!), which has made for a longer day. It has become challenging to accommodate the scheduling needs of our host school, participating bands, and clinicians so please observe the registration due date.

Please remember that this is NOT a graded festival and we are all there to support each other's programs. You do not need to provide scores for the clinicians. You are welcome to play less than 3 tunes and are free to announce your own tunes and soloists. Most of your heavier equipment is provided in all 3 rooms. Above all, the students all seem to love watching the MSU Jazz group perform.

Please let me know if you have questions or suggestions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Krieger

MSBOA District 8

Jazz Festival Chair

Middle School at Parkside

Email: kevin.krieger@jpsk12.org

Medals Report

I have plaques and medal orders from the 2020 and 2021 B&O Festivals. I have reached out to those directors to coordinate the best way to deliver.

Medals do not have dates on them, and the same medals are used every year. If you purchased B&O medals for a previous year and have many left over for students who have since graduated, you can save those medals and pass them out for future festivals.

If you would like to place an order from a past B&O festival, or last year's middle school S&E, please send me an email- trevor.trudeau@napoleonschools.org. I will send you the order forms.

High School S&E medals were handled through the state office last year- if you have any questions about medals for the HS S&E festival, please contact the state office.

If you have any questions about an order, please contact me and let me know.

Good luck to everyone on the upcoming school year!

Respectfully Submitted,
Trevor Trudeau
517-905-5765
trevor.trudeau@napoleonschools.org

Member Emeritus

Commissioning Report

District Website

Please paste your reports in the 2021 Fall Meeting Reports file shared via email. You may also send me anything additional you would like posted on the website. Suggestions for improvement are always welcome.

Joe McInchak
Tecumseh Public Schools
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All-State Ensembles

MSBOA District VIII 2021-2022 Calendar

Sept. 11, 2021	Music Education Workshop, Festival Improvements Committee
Sept. 9, 2021	District Fall Membership Meeting - 7:00 PM – Parma Western HS
Sept. 20, 2021	School Membership Registration and Mid-level String Clinic Registration Deadline
Sept. 17, 2021	Marching Band Festival Registration Deadline
Sept. 25, 2021	String Orchestra Reading Session
Oct. 1, 2021	Provisional Classification, Dist. Transfer, All-State Aud. Apps, S&E Adjudicator Workshop Deadline
Oct. 1, 2021	Middle School Fall Solo and Ensemble Registration
Oct. 9, 2021	Mid-Level String Clinics
Oct. 13, 2021	All-State Audition Schedule Posted
Oct. 16, 2021	Marching Band Festival – Northwest High School (Jackson, MI)
Oct. 19, 2021	Marching Band Festival Rain Date
Oct. 20,21,23,24	All-State HS/MS Band & Orchestra Auditions
Nov. 6, 2021	State Fall Membership Meeting—1:30 PM, Okemos HS
Nov. 13, 2021	Fall Middle School Solo and Ensemble Festival – – TBA
Dec. 1, 2021	All-State Acceptance Form and Fees Paid Deadline
Dec. 3, 2021	District High School Solo and Ensemble Registration
Dec. 3, 2021	District Jazz Festival Registration
Dec. 11, 2021	Adjudicator Workshop for S&E Adjudicators – Location TBA
Jan. 6, 2022	District Winter Membership Meeting - 6:00 PM – Jackson NW MS
Jan. 7, 2022	District MS/HS Band and Orchestra Festival Registration DEADLINE
Jan. 8, 2022	Music Education Workshop, Festival Improvements Committee Mtg.
Jan. 27, 2022	Music Tech Day, Conducting Symposium, All-State Ensembles
Jan. 27-29, 2022	17 th Annual Michigan Music Conference – Grand Rapids, MI
Jan. 29, 2022	State Winter Membership Meeting – Grand Rapids, MI
Jan. 31, 2022	All-State HS/MS Bands and Orchestras Perform
Feb. 1, 2022	State Jazz Ensemble Festival Registration Deadline
Feb. 5, 2022	High School Solo and Ensemble Festival – Haslett HS & Tecumseh HS
Feb. 8, 2022	District Jazz Festival – Mason High School
Feb. 11, 2022	Deadline for State Solo and Ensemble Applications
Feb. 11, 2022	Deadline for Applications to Host District Festivals and/or Meetings due – see Dist 8 Handbook
Feb. 11, 2022	Middle School Spring Solo & Ensemble Registration
Mar. 1, 2022	Scholar Instrumentalist Applications DUE
Mar. 3-5, 2022	District Band & Orchestra Festival – LOCATIONS SEE Report
Mar. 10-12, 2022	District Band & Orchestra Festival – LOCATIONS SEE Report
	Middle School Honors Band Audition Recordings Deadline
Mar. 19, 2022	State High School Solo & Ensemble
Mar. 16-Apr. 20	State Jazz Ensemble Festivals (Selected dates and locations)
Apr. 23, 2022	Middle School Spring Solo & Ensemble Festival – Onsted HS
Apr. 27-30, 2022	State Band & Orchestra Festival
May 4-7, 2022	State Band & Orchestra Festival
May 9, 2022	District Spring Membership Meeting – 7:00 PM – Jackson
May, 13-14, 2022	Spring Honors Festival
May 14-15, 2022	Middle School Honors Band - LOCATION TBA
May 20, 2022	MMC Performing Groups Deadline
June 4, 2022	State Spring Membership Meeting – Okemos High School 1:30 – LOCATION MAY CHANGE
	Please consult the State MSBOA website www.msboa.org for possible changes in State dates & sites.
	Please consult the District VIII website sites.google.com/site/msboa8 for possible changes in District dates & sites.

Future Calendars

22/23 - Proposed adopted in Jan.

Nov. 19, 2022	MS Solo & Ensemble
Feb. 4, 2023	HS Solo & Ensemble
Feb. 25, 2023	B&O
Mar. 4, 2023	B&O
April 22, 2023	MS S&E

23/24 - Dates to be proposed in Jan. then adopted as a proposed calendar January of 2022.

Nov. 18,2023	MS Solo & Ensemble
Feb. 3, 2024	HS Solo & Ensemble
Feb. 24, 2024	B&O
Mar. 2, 2024	B&O
April 20, 2024	MS S&E

Updates from the State Office

- **Deadlines:** If there is a problem with meeting a deadline contact the State Office. Nothing can be done after the deadline has passed. **Deadline for school membership---September 20, 2021** after which there will be an increase of \$40.
- **October 1, 2021—Deadline** for District Transfers, All-State Band and Orchestra Audition registrations, applications for the Adjudicator Workshop (which will be both S&E and B&O-participants must choose one, members cannot attend both).
- **If you have questions relative to Festival rules please contact the Vice President for that activity.** Decisions on how the rules are interpreted must be made by the elected officer. The State Office cannot make these decisions.
- New for the 2021-2022 school year: MSBOA State applications/fees—members can still pay by check or credit card, **but now have the ability to send a pay link to a business office, booster treasurer, etc.**
- Also new for 2021-2022: **Adjudicators will be required to go through Anti-Bias Training.** This training will be provided by MSBOA (with the help of the Michigan Anti Defamation League) over the next 2-3 years and will be a permanent part of the Adjudicator Workshop moving forward. (Committee for Equity)
- **The MSBOA Yearbook for 2021-2022** was emailed to all school member directors and has been posted on the MSBOA website as of September 1st.
- Check the MSBOA website for the following:
 - All-State Audition requirements-posted August 25th with a registration **deadline of Oct. 1st** with auditions taking place on **October 20th through October 24th**. Check with your **District for the specific dates.**
 - **Conductors for 2021-2022 All-State Bands & Orchestras**
 - All State High School Band: Rebecca Phillips
 - All State High School Orchestra: Robert Gardner
 - All State Middle School Band: Mark Walker
 - All State Middle School String Orchestra: Cathie Hudnall

All State Jazz Ensemble: **Kris Johnson**

- **Mid-Level String Clinics to be held on Oct. 9. Registration deadline-Sept. 20th**
 - October 9th—Southwest TBD
 - October 9th—Southeast TBD
 - October 9th—Portage North Middle-Sean Brennan--Host
 - **S&E and B&O Adjudicator Workshop (participants must choose one or the other)—Dec. 11th at Flushing HS. Deadline for registration October 1st.**
 - **Sept. 18—Fall String Orchestra Reading Session. Two sites this year.**
 - Lowell MS: contact Joe Oprea
 - Plymouth Educational Park HS-contact Michael Edwards/Samantha Hickey
 - **MMC—January 27-29, 2022-Grand Rapids, MI**
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- Please be advised there is a committee, (Chaired by Heidi Schlosser-VP for B&O) working on specific rule changes for Band and Orchestra Festival for the 2021-2022 school year. These rule changes will be temporary and are being developed to support your programs as the MSBOA recognizes for many of you this will be a rebuilding year.

 - **Saturday, September 11th—Music Ed. Workshop & Festival Improvement Committee will meet virtually. The MMC Executive Board and Planning Committee meets this Sunday, September 12th.**

 - **Teacher of the Year voting will be active on the MSBOA website following the Fall General Membership Meeting. You will be able to vote for the TOY starting sometime during the week of November 7-13. Your last opportunity to vote will be Friday, January 28, 2022-5:00 PM at the MMC.**