

Central District - Massachusetts Music Educators' Association, Inc.
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Dear Colleagues:

Thank you for participating in the Central District Junior High Auditions, and congratulations to those student(s) that were accepted into the 2008 MMEA Central District Junior High School Concert Ensembles! Hopefully your students found the audition process to be an educational experience, regardless of the individual outcomes. Enclosed, please find audition results and score sheets. Please note that seating assignments for instrumental ensembles **are not included in the audition result packets**. Seating assignments will be mailed with the music, which will arrive in a few weeks. The dates for the rehearsals and concerts are as follows:

Rehearsals: Wednesday, April 2, 2008 – Trottier Middle School, Southboro, MA 3:30pm-7:30 pm (snow date: March 29)
Tuesday, April 29, 2008 - Trottier Middle School, Southboro, MA 3:30pm-7:30 pm (snow date: May 3)

Dress rehearsal: Saturday, May 3, 2008 – Bellingham High School, Bellingham, MA (snow date: May 4)

Concert **Concert #1** – Jazz Band and Chorus @ 2:00pm **Concert #2-** Orchestra and Concert Band @ 4:00pm

A few reminders:

1. Updated information regarding the Junior High Central District Music Festival may be found on our district website: www.cdmmea.org.
2. Participation forms are available online and can be downloaded at the CDMMEA website. All materials should be returned and **postmarked no later than March 7, 2008**. The participation fee is \$15.00 per student (\$20.00 non-MMEA Member). A late fee of \$50.00 per school **MUST** accompany any late materials. The Junior Festival Participation Bill, with appropriate fees must be returned to:

Dennis Wrenn, CDMMEA Treasurer
c/o Algonquin Regional High School Music
79 Bartlett Street
Northborough, MA 01532
3. Due to the large number of student participants and the limited seating in the auditorium, the concert is being divided into two different concerts. The **jazz band and chorus will perform a 2:00 p.m. concert**, and the **orchestra and band will perform a 4:00 p.m. concert**. Families who have students in both concerts will be given special consideration.
4. Concert tickets - \$15.00 each (limit two per student) may be purchased at the rehearsals. Seating is always limited, so please be sure to purchase your tickets early. Please collect money from your students in advance so that you may purchase your block of tickets together. Checks should be made out to **CDMMEA**. Tickets not purchased by 6 p.m. after the second rehearsal (if there are any left), will be made available on a first-come-first-served basis after 6 p.m.
5. Supervision – at least one adult supervision shall accompany students to all rehearsals and the concert. The chaperone is expected to remain on site.

Please have your students bring to each rehearsal #2 pencils, a music stand with names on all parts, extra reeds, mutes, sticks, mallets, key or valve oil and any other “equipment” that is needed to perform the music. All music must be returned after the concert. Lost music will be replaced by the student. Marks on music must only be done in **pencil**...**no markings in pen** may be written on any music!

Our concert committee has been working very hard over the past year to make sure that all of your students will have an outstanding experience at the Central District Junior High Festival. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or the appropriate ensemble managers (contact information is available on the website). We are looking forward to working with your student(s).

Sincerely,

Matthew C. Glenn
2008 Central District Junior High Concert Chairperson