



Indiana Jazz  
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Association

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Dec. 1st, 2018

Dear 2019 All-State Jazz Ensemble Member,

Congratulations! Based on your outstanding audition, you have been selected as a member of the **2019 Indiana All-State Jazz Ensemble or Junior All-State Jazz Ensemble!** This letter of confirmation contains valuable information regarding check-in and performance times and locations for the event, fees, and what you need to do now to confirm your seat in the ensemble.

**Registration and Payment To Confirm Your Spot!**

Please fill out the Google Form by Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup> to reserve your spot in the All-State Jazz Ensemble! The Google Form is linked in this email, and the payment link is also within the google form.

**Cost**

The cost for participation in the All-State Jazz Ensemble or Junior All-State Jazz Ensemble is **\$200**. This fee will cover a hotel room on site (Wed & Thurs nights), 5 meals (1 lunch, 2 dinners, 2 breakfasts), multiple snacks, transportation, and guest conductor fees. Check with your director to see if your school will subsidize your All-State effort. You may pay your fee online via pay-pal or by check. Please make checks payable to **IJEA**.

**Music (music should be available by end of the week of Dec. 3rd)**

You are responsible to know your parts before you arrive to Fort Wayne! Start practicing your music now, and bring your paper copies with you to the event.

Go to [www.indianajazz.org](http://www.indianajazz.org) and click on the All-State tab at the top of the screen.

At the bottom of the page, click on the link appropriate to the band to which you belong.

You will then be prompted for a username and password.

**All-State**

username = member

password = allstate2019

**Junior All-State**

username = member

password = juniorallstate2019

click on the link for the music for the part in which you have been assigned

**Check-In For Event/Rehearsal Venue**

**Between 4:00-5:00pm, January 16th**

@University of St. Francis

Performing Arts Center

431 W Berry St, Fort Wayne, IN 46802

You are to report to this rehearsal space in Fort Wayne to check-in and unload equipment between 4-5pm on Wednesday, January 16. Upon your arrival, please bring in your suitcase, instrument, and everything needed for the three days. You will also need to check in any prescription medications at this time to the nurse. Please have meds in a gallon ziplock bag with instructions clearly visible inside with type of med, dosage, and frequency instructions. The actual check-in to your hotel room will be available later that evening after rehearsal, where we'll transport all students by bus. Cars may stay parked at the rehearsal space for the duration of the week.

### **Chaperones and Hotel/Rooming Information**

#### **The Holiday Inn at IPFW & Coliseum**

**4111 Paul Shaffer Dr.**

**Fort Wayne, IN 46815**

**(260) 482.3800**

During the 3 day, 2 night event, adults on hand will include a parent chaperone, and multiple background checked educators (including Jen Siukola from Butler University, Rebekah Weaver from Delta, and Bethany Robinson from Noblesville). Rooms will be assigned by boys and girls, and then by section as possible. Please look forward to staying with and getting to know students from other schools. If you have food allergies, please contact Jen Siukola (info at bottom) to make arrangements for food. You are also encouraged to bring your own snacks if you have allergies or are particular about food.

### **Equipment/Music**

**You must bring all of your own musical equipment, paper copies of music, pencil, extra reeds, valve oil, guitar/bass amps, brass mutes, drum set, and aux percussion.** IJEA will not provide these items. IMEA will provide chairs, music stands, and pianos. Guitarists and bassists, please bring an extra-long extension cord and extra patch cables! Rhythm section students will be contacted via email soon to determine who is bringing amps for junior and senior high bands so only one bassist brings the amp for junior high, and one bassist brings an amp for senior high, etc.

### **Attire for the Performance**

Wear comfortable clothing for the Wednesday and Thursday rehearsal days. Proper dress attire is required for the final concert. For All State: dark dress pants, white dress shirt with dark tie, dress shoes, black socks, and suit coat. For ladies, dressy dark slacks, a dressy top, etc. For Junior All State: Same, but without the suit coat.

### **Final Performance Information**

#### **Embassy Theatre**

**125 W Jefferson Blvd**

**Ft. Wayne, IN 46802**

The final concert, which is free and open to the public, will take place at **12:00pm on Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at the historic Embassy Theatre at the IMEA Convention.**

### **Good Citizenship**

As with any All-State group, proper behavior is expected from all student participants. Any student who violates laws or exhibits unacceptable behavior will be immediately dismissed from the group with no refund. Please be mindful and remember that your actions not only reflect on you, but also on the other all-state musicians, your school band program, your school, and the IJEA.

Additional information including final itinerary will be emailed in the coming weeks.

On behalf of the IJEA, CONGRATULATIONS, happy holidays, and we look forward to working with you in January! Feel free to contact me with any concerns or questions.

Sincerely,

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