

CONGRATULATIONS All-State Musician!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

REHEARSAL LOCATION

EMBASSY SUITES - Gandy Room
[513 S Florida Ave, Tampa, FL 33602](https://www.embassy-suites.com/locations/florida/tampa)

CONCERT LOCATION

Tampa Convention Center - Ballroom A/B/C
[333 S Franklin St, Tampa, FL 33602](https://www.tcccenter.com/locations/florida/tampa)

SCHEDULE

Thursday - January 9th

8:00am-8:30am - Registration
8:30am-11:30am - Rehearsal
11:30am-1:30pm - Lunch Break
1:30pm-4:30pm - Rehearsal
4:30pm-6:30pm - Dinner Break
6:30pm-9:00pm - Rehearsal

Friday - January 10th (CONCERT DAY)

8:30am-11:30am - Rehearsal
11:30am-1:30pm - Lunch Break
1:30pm-4:00pm - Rehearsal
4:00pm-5:00pm - Change/Dinner/Snack
5:00pm - Report time (TCC Room 20/21)
6:30pm - Concert time

Saturday - January 11th

Marriott Water Street Grand Ballroom
8:30am-9:30am - Gems of Choral Lit.
REPORT TIME - 8:00am

REQUIRED MATERIALS

All Students must have the following materials for every rehearsal:

1. MUSIC packet will be distributed on-site.
2. Black 3 Ring Binder or Black Music Folder
3. Pencils
4. Water (if possible) ONLY WATER permitted in rehearsal

Conference Questions

<http://fmea.flmusicad.org/conference>

Clinician

Dr. David Brunner
University of Central Florida

Choir Coordinator

Tommy Jomisko
tommy@fva.net

ALL-STATE 2020

HIGH SCHOOL READING CHORUS

What you need to know to make it a successful and rewarding experience for your All-State Musician!

#FMEA2020

COMMUNICATION

- All students and chaperones are asked to join this year's REMIND Group to stay "INFORMED" of latest news & reminders.
- Students TEXT @fvarc2020 to the number 81010
- Parents TEXT @fvarc2020p to the number 81010

ATTIRE

- **REHEARSALS** - casual, school-type clothing (sweaters - ballrooms tend to be cold) - adhere to school dress-code policy.
- **CONCERT** - formal school chorus uniform; if your school does not have a formal concert uniform, wear NICE ALL BLACK clothing (long skirt/dress for the ladies, please!) Jeans, shorts, t-shirts, spaghetti straps, sneakers, or flip flops, etc. are not permitted.

FOOD/MEALS

- Chaperones will pick-up/meet students during lunch/dinner breaks. Students must be supervised during meal breaks.
- Parents/Chaperones - plan ahead on meals!
 - Suggestion: Make a reservation; order in advance while students are in rehearsal; purchase ahead breakfast items/sandwiches...
- Food that is purchased outside of the hotel may only be consumed in your hotel room.

REHEARSAL & ALL STATE EXPECTATIONS

- Students must have all original octavos for rehearsals on Thursday and Friday. MUSIC will be checked at first rehearsal/Thursday morning. Photocopies are not permitted.
- Students will be on time to all rehearsals. Please consider travel time when planning meal locations. Students should arrive at least 5 - 10 minutes early.
- All-State students will wear their badge at ALL TIMES.
- PARENTS/CHAPERONES - Only parents/chaperones with a valid 2020 All-State Chaperone Badge may observe rehearsals.
- One chaperone per school should be in rehearsal room/nearby at all times.
- Students are not permitted to miss any portion of the rehearsal. Frequent tardiness or arriving excessively late will result in removal from the choir.
- Arrange meeting location at conclusion of rehearsals. Use the restroom during meal breaks prior to rehearsal, if possible.

TICKET INFORMATION

CONCERT TICKETS - Registered (**BADGED**) attendees/chaperones do not require tickets to attend any All-State concert.

Chaperone badges serve as your entrance to any All-State concert.

All non-registered attendees (non-badged parents, family members, guests, etc.) are required to purchase tickets for any All-State concert they wish to attend at **\$15.00/ticket**.

Everyone, regardless of age, who will take up a seat must have a ticket. Only infants who will sit in a parent's lap, will not require a ticket.

General ticket sales for All-State concerts will begin at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday at the FMEA registration desk in Tampa Convention Center.

CURFEW INFORMATION

Curfew for students on Weds. - Sat. evening is from 11:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.

Students must remain in their rooms during curfew hours.

Students violating curfew will be subject to dismissal from any All-State group and may be sent home at parent expense.

Students must be respectful in hotels throughout conference stay.

REMEMBER YOUR ALL STATE EXPERIENCE

Shirts, pins, plaques, CD's/MP3's and DVD's orders can be purchased at the convention center throughout conference.

Plaques and concert CD/DVD orders will be available in the lobby at all concerts.

CONCERT DAY INFORMATION

- **Friday, January 10th** - TCC Ballroom A/B/C - 6:30pm
- **Changing Time and Dinner/Snack** - 4:00pm - 5:00pm
- **Student Report Location and Report Time** - TCC Room 20/21 - 5:00pm
 - *Due to security policy changes by the City of Tampa, please make sure students and families leave enough travel time to pass through security.*
- **CONCERT UNIFORM** - Please see first page.
- Students must bring music in a black folder to the concert unless instructed otherwise by the All State Coordinator.
- Students **MUST ARRIVE IN FULL CONCERT UNIFORM** at the 5:00 report time.
- Students **MAY NOT** bring jackets, bags, etc. to FRIDAY final rehearsal/concert.
- PLEASE eat a good lunch and hydrate prior to long concert afternoon.
- Please visit the concert location, ***Tampa Convention Center***, prior to the concert Friday evening.
- Coordinate walking over to *Tampa Convention Center from your hotel/parking area...allow ample time to deal with parking.
- PRIOR to concert rehearsal "check-in" - Choose a spot to meet chaperones/family at the conclusion of concert.

ALL STATE - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. I lost my badge? How do I get another one?

- You must contact your student's director to get a replacement badge. Student/Parent will be responsible for the cost to replace a lost badge.

2. Why might I want a chaperone badge?

- With a chaperone badge, you may observe rehearsals, attend concerts, and visit the exhibit hall at no additional charge.
- Contact your child's director regarding chaperone registration or purchasing separate concert tickets and exhibit hall day passes.

3. What do I do if I lost my music?

- It is the student's/parent's responsibility to acquire a complete packet of original music prior to arrival. Any student without a complete packet of original music at the first rehearsal, must see the choir coordinator to make arrangements for immediate CASH purchase.

Have a GREAT 2020 Florida All-State!