

## CONGRATULATIONS All-State Musician!

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

#### REHEARSAL LOCATION

Tampa Hilton Downtown - Bayshore 1-3  
[211 N Tampa St, Tampa, FL 33602](https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/tamhdt01-tampa-hilton-downtown-bayshore-1-3/)

#### CONCERT LOCATION

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

#### SCHEDULE:

##### Thursday - January 11th

11:00am-11:30am - Registration  
11:30am-1:30pm - Rehearsal  
1:30pm-3:00pm - Lunch Break  
3:00pm-5:00pm - Rehearsal  
5:00pm-6:30pm - Dinner Break  
6:30pm-8:30pm - Rehearsal

##### Friday - January 12th (CONCERT DAY)

8:45am-11:30am - Rehearsal  
11:30am-1:00pm - Lunch Break  
1:00pm-3:00pm - Rehearsal

4:45pm - Meet in TCC Ballroom A (114/115)

7:00pm - **CONCERT TIME - TCC A/B/C**

Remember to visit Exhibit Hall in TCC

### REQUIRED MATERIALS

All Students must have the following materials for every rehearsal:

1. Original Octavos (NO PHOTOCOPIES)
2. Black 3 Ring Binder or Black Music Folder
3. Pencils
4. Water (if possible) ONLY WATER permitted in rehearsal

### Conference Questions

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

### Clinician

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### Choir Coordinator

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# ALL-STATE 2024

## MIDDLE SCHOOL MIXED CHORUS

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

## #FMEA2024

### COMMUNICATION

Plan on attending the chaperone meeting on

Thursday afternoon at 12:45pm outside of Bayshore 1-3 -

**REMIND** codes will be given at the meeting for the most up to date information  
**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...*
  - *Friday afternoon - have students eat a snack on their way to the Convention Center for the Concert.*
- Food that is purchased outside of the hotel may only be consumed in your hotel room or off-site.

### REHEARSAL & ALL STATE EXPECTATIONS

- Students must have all original octavos for rehearsals on Thursday and Friday. MUSIC will be checked at the 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 2 parents/chaperones per school, with a **valid 2024 All-State Chaperone Badge** may observe rehearsals. Hotel policy states that you WILL NOT be permitted to stay around the rehearsal hall corridors/surroundings while rehearsals are in session.
- One chaperone per school MUST 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.
- NO CELL PHONE USAGE DURING REHEARSAL.

## TICKET INFORMATION

[FMEA conference/tickets](#)

**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 **\$20.00/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.

Paper tickets will be on sale at the Registration Desk on-site at the conference for attendees who would like to pay by cash or who do not want to use electronic tickets.

## FMEA CURFEW INFORMATION

Curfew for students on Wed. - 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 the conference.

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

## CONCERT DAY INFORMATION

- **Friday January 12th** - TCC Ballroom A/B/C - 7:00pm
- **Student Report Location and Report Time**-TCC Ballroom A (114/115)-4:45 pm
  - *Due to security policy changes by the City of Tampa, please make sure students and families leave enough travel time to pass through security.*
- *Drop off/pick-up location will be discussed at Friday afternoon rehearsal.*
- **CONCERT UNIFORM** - Please see the 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 4:45pm report time.
- Students **MAY NOT** bring jackets, bags, etc. to FRIDAY AFTERNOON final rehearsal/concert.
- To ensure a positive experience for all, students are expected to eat something substantial and hydrate prior to a long concert evening.
- 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 the 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 2024 Florida All-State!*