

N.E.I.S.T.A. 2005 HIGH SCHOOL INVITATIONAL ORCHESTRA

Dear N.E.I.S.T.A. District High School Directors:

The 2005 N.E.I.S.T.A. Invitational Orchestra promises to be a great festival for the string students of our district. Our conductor this year is Dr. Rebecca Burkhart from UNI. I am excited about having her be a part of our festival. It should be a great day for all involved.

FESTIVAL INFORMATION (Please observe all deadlines!)

- 1. DATE:** Saturday, January 7, 2006
- 2. LOCATION:** Jefferson High School
- 3. CONCERT TIME:** 7:00 p.m.

ENTRY FORMS:

- 4.** There are three forms enclosed, one application for Stringed Instruments, one for Harp, and a Director's Information sheet. The Director's sheet is necessary to aid the selection process and to avoid having to put your name and address on every student application form. **PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN IT WITH YOUR APPLICATIONS.** Please mark your sheets as applicant or alternate and **RANK** your students, (excluding harp), in the order that you want them considered. Please write legibly when you fill out the forms and include as much detail as possible.
- 5. PLEASE NOMINATE ONLY** those students who will attend. Students selected for All-State are NOT eligible to participate in this Invitational orchestra.
- 6. ENTRY DEADLINE:** Entry forms must be postmarked no later than the Wednesday after All-State Auditions, which is October 26, 2005. If applications are not received by Friday, October 28, they will not be considered.
- 7. ENTRY FEE: Once students are selected** an entry fee is \$10.00 per accepted student is due and should be paid in advance to:

Martin Clancey, Orchestra Director
Jefferson High School
1243 20th St. SW
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

- 8. MEMBERSHIP:** Each director participating **must be a member of A.S.T.A. and I.S.T.A.** Music will not be sent to your students until your A.S.T.A. dues are paid.

9. MAIL YOUR INVITATIONAL ORCHESTRA APPLICATIONS TO:

Martin Clancey-Invitational Orchestra Festival Chair
1243 20th St. SW
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

Thanks for your support, participation and cooperation.
Sincerely,

Martin Clancey
2005 Invitational Orchestra Chair

N.E.I.S.T.A. District High School Invitational Orchestra
POSTMARK DATE: OCTOBER 26

*There is space on the form to submit 10 students and 2 harpists. If you have more than that, please submit another form.

General Instructions:

*Please rank the TOTAL NUMBER of students you submit minus harps.

*Comments and ranking must be completed to be considered.

*Please be specific about extra comments. This really helps!

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Criteria for selection in priority order - this is the criterion used to select the orchestra.

1. Director's First Choice, excluding harps
2. All-State Orchestra alternate, this year
3. All-State Orchestra recall, this year
4. All-State Orchestra member, previous year
5. Participant in instrumental auditions this year
6. Solo & Ensemble Ratings
7. Director's Comments
8. Chair position in H.S. orchestra
9. Grade Level in school

Each school is guaranteed one participant. We do consider this Invitational Orchestra an advanced level group. Many students selected participate in the all-state auditions. Our goal is to have the best musicians and instrumentation possible while including as many district schools as possible. Please consider these goals when nominating students to participate.

If you have questions, please contact:

Martin Clancey, President
Iowa String Teachers Association
mclancey@cr.k12.ia.us
319-558-3928

Send paper forms to:
Martin Clancey, President
Iowa String Teachers Association
1243 20th St. SW
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

DIRECTOR'S INFORMATION SHEET
N.E.I.S.T.A. DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL INVITATIONAL ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL
APPLICATIONS

(Please type or print legibly)

(please include this sheet with your completed application forms—
 Fill out completely)

Director's Name: _____
 School Name: _____
 School Address: _____

School Phone # _____ Fax # _____
 E-Mail Address: _____

Would you be willing to serve as an auditor for chair placement? _____

Indicate preference of instruments: _____

Please complete the following information for the applications you have submitted:

RANK ORDER	STUDENT NAME	INSTRUMENT
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		
9.		
10.		
Harpists		
1.		
2.		

**N.E.I.S.T.A. DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL INVITATIONAL ORCHESTRA APPLICATION
STRINGED INSTRUMENTS**

Duplicate copies as needed—Fill out all information on your student

DATE: _____

1. Student's Name	Grade In School
2. Instrument	Years Of Playing Experience
3. Chair Position In Orchestra	No. Of Chairs In This Section
4. This Student Ranks (Note: Do Not Include Harpists)	In My Choices For Selection
5. Was This Student Chosen As An Alternate To All State This Year?	
6. Was This Student Recalled At All State This Year?	
7. Was This Student A Previous Member Of The All-State Orchestra?	Year
8. Did This Student Participate In The All State Audition This Year?	
9. Has This Student Appeared As A Soloist At (State/City) Music Contest? (Circle One Or Both).	

INDICATE THE SOLO LITERATURE PERFORMED AND RATING RECEIVED:

1.	RATING
2.	RATING
3.	RATING

10. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS ON THIS STUDENT: IF THIS IS NOT FILLED OUT, THIS STUDENT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

12. Rate this student in the following. Circle the appropriate level to indicate rating:

TONE	fair	good	excellent	superior
TECHNIQUE	fair	good	excellent	superior
RHYTHM/READING	fair	good	excellent	superior
MUSICIANSHIP	fair	good	excellent	superior

Indicate secure playing range:

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE _____

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HARPS

Duplicate copies as needed—Fill out all information on your student

DATE: _____

1. Student's name	Grade in school
2. Was this student chosen as an alternate to all state this year?	Years of playing experience
3. Was this student recalled at all-state this year?	In my choices for selection
4. Was this student a previous member of the all state orchestra?	
5. Did this student participate in the all state audition this year?	
6. Has this student appeared as a soloist at (state/city) music contest? (circle one or both).	Year

Indicate the solo literature performed and rating received:

1.	RATING
2.	RATING
3.	RATING

11. Director's comments on this student: if this is not filled out, this student will not be considered

12. Rate this student in the following. Circle the appropriate level to indicate rating:

TECHNIQUE

limited fair good excellent superior

RHYTHM/READING ACCURACY

limited fair good excellent superior

MUSICIANSHIP

limited fair good excellent superior

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE _____