



TENNESSEE ALL-STATE

Dear 2019 11th-12th Grade All-State Band Participants,

Congratulations on your great achievement of being selected as a member of the 11th-12th Grade All-State Band! This is a fantastic opportunity to perform among the most talented musicians in the state of Tennessee! Your clinician for the weekend will be Professor Gary Hill, Professor of Music and Director of Ensemble Studies at Arizona State University. You will no doubt have a great experience with this fine conductor! Please make sure to read this letter and all other materials in your folder carefully so you will be prepared for Professor Hill's expectations for the weekend.

- Please check to make sure your music was copied clearly and correctly. If there are any copy problems, please report them to your band director(s) and they will contact me.
- Please understand, the policies listed on the TN All State Rules and Regulations form will be followed strictly!
- Realize that you will have chair auditions on Wednesday, April 10th, in the afternoon beginning at 6:00 pm, Central Time. Registration for auditions will begin at 3:15pm. Chairs and parts will be assigned based on this audition, so be prepared! All audition excerpts will come from the first parts in your audition music. You will receive a folder with music for your assigned part at the first rehearsal.
- Please make sure to be seated at least 10 minutes prior to each rehearsal so that you can warm up adequately and so that each rehearsal can start on time. The first rehearsal on Thursday morning is the most important rehearsal. I would like to have you seated 15 minutes prior to the official beginning of the first rehearsal so we can make any seating adjustments and start on time.
- The dress for the All-State concerts is described at the bottom of the included TN All State Rules and Regulations Form. Please review it to be prepared for the concert.

Thank you for your time and I am looking forward to a great weekend of music education and performance.

Musically Yours,

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