

All-State Family Fact Sheet:

Congratulations on being a family member of one of the state's best high school musicians! We hope you plan to attend the TMEA Clinic/Convention to enjoy the concert and much more. Please take a few minutes to read these highlights to help you prepare for your attendance. Stay up to date by going to www.tmea.org/convention.

STUDENT FORMS—NO PARTICIPATION WITHOUT THEM!

All-State students must print forms from www.tmea.org/all-state, complete them, and **bring them to registration Wednesday, February 8**. Start early on them to ensure they are accurately completed. The medical release form requires the signature of a notary.

CLINIC/CONVENTION OVERVIEW

All-State concerts are the culmination of our convention. Over 26,000 people attend this convention at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center in downtown San Antonio. Band, orchestra, vocal, elementary and college educators attend over 200 workshops, 60 performances, and shop at more than 1,100 booths in two exhibit halls.

All-State Concert Schedule – Saturday, February 11, 2012

All concerts are in the San Antonio Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center Lila Cockrell Theater, Ballroom A, and Ballroom B. Confirm concert times when you arrive.

- 9:30 a.m.—ATSSB Concert & Symphonic Bands (Lila Cockrell Theater)
- 12:00 p.m.—TMEA Mixed Choir (Ballroom A)
- 12:30 p.m.—4A Symphonic Band (Lila Cockrell Theater)
- 1:00 p.m.—ATSSB Jazz Ensemble (Ballroom B)
- 2:00 p.m.—TMEA String Orchestra (Lila Cockrell Theater)
- 2:30 p.m.—TMEA Jazz Ensemble (Ballroom B)
- 3:30 p.m.—TMEA Women's Choir (Ballroom A)
- 3:30 p.m.—TMEA Philharmonic Orchestra (Lila Cockrell Theater)
- 5:00 p.m.—TMEA 5A Concert Band (Lila Cockrell Theater)
- 5:00 p.m.—TMEA Men's Choir (Ballroom A)
- 6:30 p.m.—TMEA Symphony Orchestra (Lila Cockrell Theater)
- 8:00 p.m.—TMEA 5A Symphonic Band (Lila Cockrell Theater)

ALL-STATE CONCERT TICKET POLICY (*does not apply to ATSSB*)

- Each student receives **four family All-State concert tickets**
- **No more** than four tickets will be provided to any family, regardless of circumstance. **Lost tickets will not be replaced.**
- Non-ticket holders are allowed entrance 10 minutes prior to a performance, if seating is available (at this point, a ticket will not guarantee your entrance).

ALL-STATE CONCERT ENTRY PROCEDURE

*Allow ample time to arrive, park, and enter the convention center to ensure you can attend your family member's concert. **Your ticket does not guarantee entry as of 10 minutes before a concert.***

- No babies or small children are allowed entrance.
- No audio or video recording of the concerts is allowed.

Ballroom A & Lila Cockrell Theater Concerts: Go to Exhibit Hall A to line up for entry to the concert (just inside the convention center doors on the northwest side—across the river from the Grand Hyatt). *No entry will be permitted through Ballroom A or Lila Cockrell Theater main doors.*

Ballroom B Concerts: Go directly to Ballroom B for entry (through the doors to the right of On-Site Registration).

EXCEPTION: ATSSB Concerts: Go directly to the concert venue (no pre-concert line up).

FAMILY CONVENTION BADGES

All-State student family members (who are not music educators) are provided complimentary convention badges. While you don't need one to gain entry to concerts, you do to enter the exhibit halls. When you arrive at the convention center, go to the **ALL-STATE FAMILY booth** next to Pre-Registration to obtain your family badge. Go to www.tmea.org/convention for registration hours.

SHOP IN OUR EXHIBIT HALLS!

Arrive early to shop in our two exhibit halls on either side of the main registration area (they close at 2 p.m. Saturday). There are over 1,000 booths where you can try out the latest products the music industry has to offer, go to a café for refreshments, and much more. Remember to pick up a family badge to gain access to the halls. Go to www.tmea.org/convention for full exhibit hours.

ALL-STATE STUDENT HOUSING

TMEA arranges housing for All-State students through requests from the students' directors. TMEA notifies the students' directors of housing assignments.

PARKING

Free parking with shuttle service is available Thursday–Saturday in Lot B of the Alamodome. Go to www.tmea.org/convention for more details and directions to that lot. The website also includes other downtown parking information. Arrive early to ensure you have time to walk or ride a shuttle bus from that lot to the center well in advance of the concert time. Do not leave valuables in your car. There is no security at this lot.