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2011 SDMEA MIDDLE SCHOOL ALL-STATE BAND

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T.F. Riggs High School, Pierre, SD

This year marks the 12th Annual South Dakota Music Educators Association Middle School All-State Band. The past eleven years have presented the opportunity to grow in our service to young musicians across the state. Through sponsorship by the South Dakota Music Educators Association (SDMEA), an avenue of excellence is provided for the students who thrive on challenge and expertise. SDMEA takes great pride in this event.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Students in grades 6 through 8 who are currently enrolled in a South Dakota public or private school band program are eligible to audition. Audition recordings must be submitted by the instrumental (band) director where the student attends.
2. The student's band teacher must be a current member of SDMEA.
3. Selected participants are required to be in attendance for ALL rehearsals of Middle School All-State Band. Please check your calendars to avoid conflicts.

Audition Requirements

1. The audition materials must be played in the order presented. Each scale and etude must be on a single track. The CD must be finalized with only the recording that is being submitted for adjudication.
 - a. for winds: scales, 6/8 etude, 4/4 etude (5 tracks)
 - b. for percussion: scales, mallet etude, timpani etude, rudiments, snare etude (10 tracks)
2. The scales and etudes should be played as written.
3. Recordings must be made on a high quality CD. Be sure to finalize the CD before sending. ****Only CD recordings will be accepted.***
4. Each student who auditions must be recorded on a separate CD.
5. DO NOT label the recording with any identifying information. List only "#1", "#2", etc. on the recording. Please list the identifying information on the audition sheet only.
6. Please do not have the students identify themselves when recording.

There is a \$7 audition fee (per audition). Audition fees must accompany the audition form. Only **ONE** check will be accepted per school submitting auditions. The registration fee will also be \$7 per student selected to either band and will be due February 16, 2011. Only **ONE** check will be accepted per school for the registration fee.

Audition deadline is December 3, 2010. Auditions postmarked later than this date cannot be accepted. This will allow a prompt adjudication, with notification no later than January 15, 2011.

Submitted auditions that do not meet the audition requirements will not be adjudicated.