

# High School Participation Recognition

## Overview

This recognition is given annually to any South Dakota high school whose music programs demonstrate high involvement in music courses and activities. This recognizes the effectiveness of programs that offer attractive music curricula as well as those that excel in the recruitment and retention of students.

Schools which meet the criteria will hold the award for three years, during which time they may be reapply for the award at the same or different level of membership. If selected the school agrees to serve SDMEA as resource\* on the topics of programming, scheduling, recruitment and retention of music students if called upon.

Serving as a resource might include examples of:

- how scheduling allows students to stay involved in music
- how the school, administration and faculty recruit students into their music department
- what kind of curriculum is used to retain students

SDMEA agrees to allow ample time for schools to comply to this request.

## Eligibility Requirements

1. All music staff must be members of SDMEA.
2. South Dakota public or parochial schools are eligible.

## Criteria

Classification is determined by SDHSAA Music Classification (9-11 enrollment from previous year).

0-125 - Class C

level 1 Exemplary 75%

level 2 Exceptional 65%

level 3 Noteworthy 55%

126-425 Class B

level 1 Exemplary 60%

level 2 Exceptional 50%

level 3 Noteworthy 40%

426-725 Class A

level 1 Exemplary 45%

level 2 Exceptional 40%

level 3 Noteworthy 35%

726 and above Class AA

level 1 Exemplary 35%  
level 2 Exceptional 30%  
level 3 Noteworthy 25%

Nomination Procedure

The nomination must be signed and verified by the high school principal or Activities Director. Only 9-12 students may be counted, and each student may only be counted once. For example, if John Doe is enrolled in both vocal and instrumental music classes, he may only be counted once total.

Nomination Form (please make online)

SDMEA Music Participation Recognition

Nomination Form

Name of high school: \_\_\_\_\_

SDHSAA Music Classification: \_\_\_\_\_

Total 9-12 student enrollment for current year \_\_\_\_\_

Total 9-12 music student involvement for current year \_\_\_\_\_

(Each student may only be counted once.)

Total percentage of 9th-12th grade students involved in music \_\_\_\_\_

Music teacher name \_\_\_\_\_

SDMEA/MENC membership ID # \_\_\_\_\_

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Administrator Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Administrator Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Must be postmarked no later than May 15, 2010

For office use only: Year \_\_\_\_\_

Award \_\_\_\_\_ granted \_\_\_\_\_ denied

Type of award granted: \_\_\_\_\_ Exemplary \_\_\_\_\_ Exceptional \_\_\_\_\_ Noteworthy

Reason for denial:

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\_\_\_\_\_ High School may reapply for this award again during  
the 2010-2011 school year. **(To be presented at the 2010 SDMEA  
Music Educators Banquet.)**

Email or mail to: Susan Karels

SDMEA Awards Chair

1001 East Park Avenue

Milbank, SD 57252

DEADLINE: May 15, 2009

**Notification of High School Participation Recognition award results will be sent to both  
the nominator and nominee (by September 1) unless otherwise specified.**

### Archives

2009—1<sup>st</sup> Award Recipient will be award

### Additional information

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