



# Middle School All-State Band 2010

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Dear Directors,

Enclosed is the music for the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Middle School All-State Band. I am excited to welcome Paul Schilf and Jennifer Hawkinson to serve as our guest conductors. I am looking forward to a great weekend on March 5-6.

Participating schools are expected to PRE-PAY their registration fees. The fee per student will be **\$7 for SDMEA members**, and **\$12 for non-SDMEA members**. A bill has been enclosed in your music packet. Please send **ONE** check payable to **SDMEA** and return the payment to me by **February 15th**. No refunds will be offered for students who are unable to attend.

*For students:*

- ♪ You will need to bring, your music, any accessories you might need (mutes, etc.), and your own sticks and mallets (percussion).
- ♪ The dress code for the weekend is: casual for rehearsals, dress clothes for the concert. Please, no hats in Riggs HS.

*For directors:*

- ♪ The official schedule is posted at <http://sdmea.net/ms-all-state-band.html>.
- ♪ SDMEA and Northern State University will be offering an Instrumental Workshop that you may take for credit. Please take advantage of this opportunity by filling out the registration form found on the website <http://sdmea.net/ms-all-state-band.html>. This years topics include digital recording, conducting and rehearsal observation, instrumental repair techniques, and middle school band resources.
- ♪ **ALL FORMS ARE LOCATED ON THE WEBSITE** <http://sdmea.net/ms-all-state-band.html>. Please print what you need for your students from the web. Be sure to observe the deadlines on each form.
- ♪ If you have not done so already, please check over the roster and report any **spelling errors** and **three-year-all-staters** to me via email as soon as possible.
- ♪ Visit the Pierre Chamber of Commerce website for information about accommodations and restaurants. <http://www.pierre.org>

If you have any questions at all, please feel free to contact me. See you in Pierre on March 5<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

ReNae Jackson