



**South Dakota Music Education Association**  
www.sdmea.net

## **What does SDMEA do for me?**

- The South Dakota Music Education Association sponsors events that provide quality musical experiences for students and professional development opportunities for music educators.
- SDMEA advocates for music education at the state and national level. This is done by meeting with legislators both in Pierre and in Washington D.C. and also with advocacy correspondence to district administrators and community stakeholders.

## **Our Programs and Services**

Currently the South Dakota Music Education Association offers the following student groups to our membership:

Elementary Honor Choir  
4th-6th Festival Choir  
7th-8th Festival Choir  
Middle School All-State Band  
Middle School All- State Jazz Band  
Middle School All-State Orchestra  
High School Freshman Choral Festival  
Kids Sing Camp

SDMEA also offers the following professional development opportunities to our membership:

General Music Summer Session  
Band clinic (in conjunction with MS All State Band)  
String Symposium (in conjunction with MS All-State orchestra)  
State Music Education Conference

Membership is \$122 and you can register at <https://nafme.org/join-renew/>

Many school districts will cover the cost of membership because of the direct benefit to students. A great way to advocate for this is - it is similar to the SDHSAA cost for high school students, but is for student groups from elementary through high school.

For questions about SDMEA and what it can do for you please contact:

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## 2021-2022 SDMEA Calendar of Events

### Summer 2021

July 27th- Summer Session workshop in Mitchell

### September

10th- Elementary Honor Choir registration deadline

### October

1st- Freshmen Choir Festival registration deadline

28th-30th SD Music Education Conference- Rapid City

30th-Elementary Honor Choir-Rapid City

### November

1st String Symposium registration open

9th- Freshmen Choir festival in Mitchell, SD at Performing Arts Center

30th- MS All State Orchestra audition deadline

### December

13th - MS All State Band audition deadline (by 11:59 PM)

17th- 4th-6th Grade Festival Choir registration deadline

### January

10th- MS All State Jazz deadline

### February

7th-8th MS All State Jazz

21st-22nd MS All State Orchestra, Rapid City

21st-22nd String Symposium, Rapid City

21st- deadline for 7th/8th Festival Choir

### March

4th-5th - MS All State Band, Mitchell

7th- 4th-6th Grade Festival Choir

### April

1st Elementary Honor Choir Audition Deadline

14th Middle School Festival Choir (7th and 8th)