PMEA District 10 Elementary Band Fest - West
May 10, 2024

Dear Elementary Band Directors,

It is my pleasure to host the PMEA District 10 Elementary Band Fest - West on May 10, 2024 (emergency weather date, May 24 2024) at Mahanoy Area Elementary School, Mahanoy City PA.

Because of the DELAYED start in planning this Fest, **ALL DEADLINES MUST BE FOLLOWED! Yes, this is a short turnaround timeline, but it will work if we follow the deadlines.**

As a current PMEA member, you may nominate up to 10 students from your ensemble. To be considered for this fest, students should be in their second year of playing their instrument, and be in the fifth or sixth grade. To nominate your students, you must fill out the nomination form on the PMEA District 10 website, under the Elementary Band West link. You will then email it to me by **February 16, 2024.**

Also, in the Elementary Band West link, you will find the Directors Application. That application and a copy of your current PMEA Membership Card must be emailed to me by **February 9, 2024.**

The cost of the Fest will be between $38.00 and $42.00 per student. I am working on the budget and as soon as the budget is approved, and I select the student participants from your school for the Fest Band, I will send an **invoice** to you with the names of each student and the cost for your district. I am planning a Fest Band of approximately 85 students.

I will also send directions for completing the additional required PMEA paperwork at that time for your students and school.

**Directors are required to accompany their students to the festival, and must remain there throughout the duration of the fest.**

I look forward to working with both you, and your students.

Sincerely,
Jaime Bishop jbishop@mabears.net