2020 PMEA District 10 Elementary Band Fest – East and String Orchestra Fest – East/West

Delaware Valley High School

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 October 7th, 2019

Dear Fellow Music Educators,

We are pleased to announce that the 2020 PMEA District 10 Elementary Band Fest – East and String Orchestra Fest – East/West will take place at Delaware Valley High School on Friday, January 10th, 2020, with successive snow date of Friday, January 17th and Friday, January 24th. Our guest conductors will be Joshua Jenkins (Band), band director in the Vernon Township School District in Vernon, NJ, and Sophie Till (Orchestra), associate professor of violin and director of the String Project at Marywood University in Scranton, PA.

As a current PMEA member, you may nominate up to 10 students from your ensembles. Fifth and sixth grade students with one or more full years of playing experience may be nominated. The Fest nomination form may be found on the District 10 website.

Please email the nomination form and a copy of your current PMEA card to Nathan Kroptavich at kroptavichn@dvsd.org by October 25th. If you prefer mailing the form, please send it to Nathan at Delaware Valley High School at the address listed above.

As you fill out the registration form, please include information about your students that will help us choose the best ensembles. Please indicate the range of brass players, if clarinets play over the break, if percussionist play mallets, timpani, and/or battery, if string players have learned 3rd position, etc. This will help us best determine parts for students.

The cost of the festival is $28.00 per student. We are planning a band of approximately 100 students and a string orchestra of approximately 80 students.

Once the student personnel are selected for the ensembles, we will notify you by email, listing the students selected from your school. We will also send directions for completing the required PMEA Fest Student Information Forms at that time. We will have music distributed by November 15th.

The tentative schedule for the Fest will be:
11:15-11:45 Report time; 12:00-4:30 Rehearsal (2:00 Snack); 4:30 Combined Rehearsal; 5:00 Dinner; 6:30 Photo; 7:30 Concert

We are looking forward to hosting your talented students in January!

Sincerely,

Nathan Kroptavich, Orchestra Director Richard Bullock, Band Director

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