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PMEA District 10 Elementary Band & String Orchestra Fest
Wednesday, March 11, 2026

Dear Fellow Music Educators,

We are pleased to announce that the 2026 PMEA District 10 Elementary Band and String Orchestra Fest will be held on Wednesday, March 11 at Nazareth Area High School. Guest conductors will be announced in the coming weeks. March 12 and March 13th will be used as makeup days in the event of inclement weather or other conflict.

As a current PMEA member, you may nominate up to 10 students from your ensemble(s). Fifth and sixth grade students in their 2nd or 3rd year of playing experience may be nominated. The Student Nomination Form is available on the PMEA District 10 website. To nominate your students, please complete the form and send it to the email address listed below. Please include a completed Director's Application along with a current copy of your PMEA membership card by Tuesday, September 30th.

When completing the Student Nomination Form, please rank your students according to ability and use the far right column of the chart to note important details, such as which clef a baritone player reads, which instrument(s) a percussionist plays, which positions a string player has learned, and any other information you deem appropriate. This information will help determine seating for the fest ensemble. The Student Nomination Form should be completed and sent in by Friday, October 10th.

Our facilities can accommodate ensemble sizes of approximately 100 band students and 75 orchestra students, and the cost of the festival will be between \$40-\$50 per student depending on expenses and sponsorships. Once student participants for each ensemble are selected, We will notify you by email, listing the selected students from your school. We will also send instructions for you to forward to their parents about completing the necessary paperwork to register each student.

PLEASE NOTE: Directors are required to accompany their students to the festival, and must remain at Nazareth Area High School for the duration of the event. Your presence as a chaperone will be essential for maintaining the well-being of your students and the time efficiency of the festival. The PMEA thanks you in advance for your dedication and cooperation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us. We look forward to working with you and to welcoming your students, their parents, and all our concert guests to Nazareth Area High School for a meaningful and memorable musical experience!

Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Collin Beil and Krysti Wallace in black ink.

Collin Beil and Krysti Wallace
Band and Orchestra Directors
Nazareth Area Intermediate School

Please email Director Application and Student Nomination forms to:

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