## PMEA District 10 Intermediate Band & Orchestra Fest Bangor Area School District February 16, 2024

Dear Music Educators,

It is my pleasure to host the PMEA District 10 Intermediate Band & Orchestra Fest on Friday, February 16, 2024 (snow date February 20, 2024/February 21, 2024) in the Bangor Area High School Performing Arts Theater. Our guest conductors will be Mr. R. David Cooper (band), recently retired, from Wilson High School in West Lawn, PA, and Mrs. Hsiao-yu Lin Griggs (orchestra) from Bridgewater-Raritan Regional High School in Bridgewater, NJ.

As a current PMEA member, you may nominate up to 10 students from your ensemble. Seventh and Eighth grade students with at least three years of playing experience may be nominated. The link to the Band and Orchestra Nomination Information can be found <a href="HERE">HERE</a> and on the District 10 website. Please complete these electronic nomination forms by **November 3, 2023.** As a part of the nomination process, you must e-mail a copy of your current PMEA membership card to Erica Davidson at <a href="davidsoner@bangorsd.org">davidsoner@bangorsd.org</a>.

As you fill out the registration form, please include information about your students that will help me choose the best ensembles. Please indicate the range of wind players, string positions, etc. This will help me to determine part I or II for the students.

The cost of the festival will be approximately \$40 per student. We are planning a band ensemble of approximately 120 students and an orchestra ensemble of 80 students.

Once the student participants are selected for the ensembles, I will notify you by email, listing the students selected from your school. I will also send directions for completing the required PMEA Fest Student Information Forms, registration fees, and additional paperwork at that time.

The approximate schedule for the Fest will be: 8-9 Report time; 9:00-5:00 Rehearsal; 5:00 Dinner; 6:00 Photo; 7:00 Concert

<u>Directors are required to accompany their students to the festival, and must remain there throughout the duration of the fest.</u>

I am looking forward to hosting your talented students in February!

Sincerely,

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