

2020 NYSBDA Honor Band Application Requirements

March 6-8, 2020

- * Application Deadline: postmarked by **October 1, 2019**.
- * A non-refundable all-inclusive fee (see details below) for each selected student is due by **December 15, 2019**.
- * Membership is open to students who demonstrate outstanding musicianship, accomplishment, citizenship and responsibility.
- * Student must be an active member of the performing ensemble within his/her school.
- * Student must be recommended by his/her band director who is an active (**as of October 1, 2019**) NYSBDA member.
- * Student applications must be signed by student, parent and band director and approved by the school administrator.
- * Student must attach a copy of his/her **Spring, 2019 NYSSMA Solo Festival Evaluation form**. **This form must be from an officially - sanctioned NYSSMA Solo Festival.**
- * Selection is decided upon by a committee of NYSBDA board members after their careful review of submitted applications, recommendations and NYSSMA solo sheets.
- * Accepted students must agree to abide by all rules and regulations set forth by NYSBDA while in attendance.
- * Thorough personal preparation of all music by the student with help from his/her band director is a must.
- * Selected students must be able to participate in all rehearsals and the concert.
- * Each director of a selected student must provide an on-site representative for student supervision.

High School Honor Band

Dr. Paula Holcomb,
Conductor

Fee: \$290.00

Return application to:

Jason Rottkamp,
NYSBDA HS Honor Concert Band
c/o Riverhead High School
700 Harrison Ave
Riverhead, NY, 11901

Additional High School Honor Concert Band Criteria:

- *Student must be enrolled in 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade during the 2019-2020 school year.
- *Student must have performed a solo from the NYSSMA Level 5 or 6 listing.
- *A playing audition will be administered to each participant upon arrival. Seating will be impacted.
- *2019 NYSSMA Conference *Instrumental (including the Vocal Jazz Rhythm section)* All-State members are not eligible to apply. Students chosen as All-State Alternates are eligible to apply; however, they must withdraw from the NYSBDA Honor group if chosen to perform with the NYSSMA All-State groups.

Jazz Ensemble Honor Band

Michael Philip Mossman,
Conductor

Fee: \$290.00

Return application to:

Timothy Savage,
NYSBDA HS Honor Jazz Ensemble
6 East Drive
Canton, NY 13617

Additional High School Honor Jazz Ensemble Criteria:

- *Jazz Ensemble membership is open to reed, brass and rhythm section students.
- *Student must be enrolled in 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade during the 2019-2020 school year.
- *Student must have performed a solo from the NYSSMA Level 5 or 6 listing. Please note: Jazz Evaluation sheets will be given preference. Non-Jazz sheets should be accompanied by a recorded jazz audition (CD or Digital Sound File) containing the student performing a prepared piece and improvisation from the Level 5 or 6 listings in the current NYSSMA Manual (Edition 32, effective July 2019. Pages 9-2 and 9-13,14 and 9-22 contain this information. Please include a list of doubling capabilities for reed players.
- *2018 NYSSMA Conference *Instrumental (including the Vocal Jazz Rhythm section)* All-State members are not eligible to apply. Students chosen as All-State Alternates are eligible to apply; however, they must withdraw from the NYSBDA Honor group if chosen to perform with the NYSSMA All-State groups.

Middle School Honor Band

Dr. Brian Cardany, Conductor

Fee: \$205.00

Return application to:

Omar Williams
NYSBDA
MS Honor Concert Band
296 4th Street
Troy, NY 12180

Additional Middle School Honor Band Criteria:

- *Student must be enrolled 7th or 8th grade during the 2019-2020 school year.
- *Student must have performed a solo from the NYSSMA Level 3 or above listing.
- *A playing audition will be administered to each participant upon arrival. Seating will be impacted.