



ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Solo and Ensemble Contest

Band members are encouraged to participate in the IHSA Solo and Ensemble Contest! This opportunity allows students to perform a solo or in a chamber ensemble (small group) for feedback and a rating from an adjudicator.

Solos: If you choose to perform a solo, please work with your private lesson teacher or band director to select a piece as soon as possible. Solos must be 64 measures or 90 seconds long, and they must be performed with a piano accompanist. You are responsible for selecting and paying for your accompanist. (See your band director or private teacher if you need a referral.) We recommend that you contact and begin rehearsing with your accompanist early! (At least two rehearsals with this individual are recommended prior to your performance.) On the day of the contest, be sure to hand the adjudicator the original copy of your music, with the measures numbered in pencil. You may perform using a photocopy for yourself. The entry fee for each solo is \$10.00, payable to U5MP.

Chamber Ensembles (duets, trios, quartets, quintets etc.): If you choose to perform in a chamber ensemble, please work with your director or private Instructor to select a piece as soon as possible. Pieces must be 64 measures or 90 seconds long. Be sure that the other members of your ensemble are committed to the performance date, and make plans to rehearse with them regularly leading up to the contest. On the day of the contest, hand the adjudicator the original score for your piece, with the measures numbered in pencil. You may perform using a photocopy. The following entry fees should be made payable to U5MP. Ensemble costs are \$15.00 per group (Split evenly between the members in the group)

Event Information

- When: Saturday, March 4 - times to be assigned
*Students are only required to attend for their performance time(s), they do not need to stay for the entire day.
Where: Normal Community High School
Attire: Nice, professional clothing. Please do not wear anything that identifies you as a NCWHS student.
Questions? Contact Ms. Preston or Mr. Budzinski

Your Name: _____

Registration form and payment are due on Monday, January 23, 2022.

Form with three columns for performance options: Solo, Duet/Trio, and Ensemble. Includes checkboxes and input fields for names and fees.

Check total (made payable to U5MP) \$ _____

If you have a specific scheduling conflict, please list the reason for the conflict and the times here. (Example: Morning performance time only because of afternoon athletic event, etc.) These must be listed when we register you in order for them to be honored.