

MUSIC EDUCATORS OF BERKS COUNTY
2018 JR. COUNTY FESTIVAL GENERAL INFORMATION
(DIRECTORS: COPY THIS FORM FOR PARTICIPATING STUDENTS AS NECESSARY)

Muhlenberg High School
CONCERT: SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 2018, 7:30 p.m.

The weekday rehearsal schedule for the Junior County Festival is as follows:

Junior County **ORCHESTRA** at Muhlenberg High School - Tuesday, April 3, 2018 • 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Junior County **BAND** at Muhlenberg High School – Wednesday, April 4, 2018 • 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Junior County **CHORUS** at Muhlenberg High School – Friday, April 6, 2018 • 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

The rehearsal schedule for the day of the festival concert (Sat. 4/7/18) is as follows:

Band: Report time 7:45 a.m.; rehearsal runs 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. at Muhlenberg High School
Chorus: Report time 10:15 a.m.; rehearsal runs 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Muhlenberg High School
Orchestra: Report time 12:45 p.m.; rehearsal runs 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. at Muhlenberg High School

PLEASE NOTE: Students must attend all rehearsals for their performing group(s) **IN THEIR ENTIRETY.** Students who cannot/do not attend the rehearsals in their entirety **INCLUDING BEING LATE FOR REHEARSAL(S)** (for any reason, including illness) will not be permitted to participate in the concert and will be replaced by an alternate. This rule applies to both the weekday and Saturday rehearsals and is strictly enforced.

DRESS FOR THE CONCERT:

Girls: Performance-appropriate length dress or skirt and blouse combination, dress shoes. (NO mini-skirts/dresses. NO flip-flop type footwear. NO stiletto style heels.)

Boys: Suit or sport coat with dress pants, dress shirt, long tie (no bow ties), dress shoes.

Students who are not dressed in accordance with these guidelines will not be permitted to perform.

TICKETS: All seats are one price: **\$6.00 each.** Please see your director or the MEBC website for a ticket order form and procedure for ordering tickets through your director in advance at the weekday rehearsal. The presale ticket limit for this concert is **three (3)** per student. Remaining tickets (if any) will be sold on Saturday morning (4/7/18) beginning at 10:00 a.m. at Muhlenberg High School.

RECORDINGS: A professional recording (CD's only) of the concert will be made by AMP Recording Services. Orders will be taken in the lobby at the concert.

NO OTHER AUDIO OR VIDEO RECORDING DEVICES WILL BE PERMITTED IN THE AUDITORIUM DURING THE CONCERT!

LUNCH: Lunch may be purchased at during each of the weekday rehearsals. Students may also choose to pack their lunch. Directors will receive an email from the host directors prior to the rehearsal week with lunch information for distribution to students.

MUSIC RETURN: Please return all music for each performing group the night of the concert immediately following the group's performance. Students in multiple groups must make arrangements to have music turned in from group(s) earlier in the concert order. It is the responsibility of each home director to see that all music is returned.

TENTATIVE REPORTING TIMES FOR THE CONCERT (Subject to change): Orchestra by 6:45 p.m.; Chorus by 7:00 p.m.; Band by 7:15 p.m.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Prior to your group's rehearsal day, all participants must complete and submit to their home director(s) a copy of the "Emergency Form" in order to participate. Copies of this form should be secured from your home director. Your director **MUST** bring your form to the rehearsal day and present it to the Vice-President in charge of the rehearsal. (You will need a copy for each group you are in. Students in multiple groups should photocopy the completed form prepared for their first rehearsing group and give copies to their home director for the second and/or third rehearsing group.)

ANY QUESTIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO YOUR HOME DIRECTOR!
ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARING THEIR MUSIC PRIOR TO THE FESTIVAL.
HAVE A GREAT EXPERIENCE!