## **Orchard Park Central School District**

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## Dear Music Educator:

On behalf of the school board, administration and music faculty, I would like to welcome you to Orchard Park High School and the <u>2024 ECMEA Junior High All-County Audition Festival</u> on **January 13<sup>th</sup>**. We will do everything possible to help make your day a successful and enjoyable one for you and your students. Please contact me with any questions at <u>sbean@opschools.org</u>. Please be advised that any <u>schedule changes</u> are handled through the ECMEA Office only.

**Arrival:** 

Official school address is: 4040 Baker Rd., Orchard Park, 14127. You may enter at either the Baker Road or the Freeman Road entrances. There is ample parking in both parking lots. For those schools traveling by bus, please use the cafeteria for a 'holding area.' As for everyone, please only arrive at the warm-up locations 15 minutes prior to their scheduled solo time.

**Information Desk:** Located in Baker Rd. entrance foyer only. Extra room maps will be available here.

**Warm-Up:** All warm-up areas will be to the left of the Baker Rd. Entrance.

**Woodwinds/Brass** – Please use the Auditorium.

The auditorium, which is to the left as you come in the Baker Road entrance, is where all students should warm up and leave their coats and cases.

**Strings/Percussion** – Please use the Commons

The commons area in the middle of the building may ONLY be used as a warm up area by string players or percussionists using a practice pad. NO wind players may use this area for warm up.

## **Rules and Regulations:**

- 1. This is an ECMEA and NYSSMA sanctioned solo festival therefore all ECMEA and NYSSMA rules apply.
  - \* All Solos must be listed in the current NYSSMA Manual Edition 33.
  - \* This audition will include scales and sight-reading! See Manual for details.
  - \* There is no photocopied music allowed.

- 2. You must have a second copy of the solo for the adjudicator in order to be considered for an All-County organization. A piano score is acceptable as long as it has the solo part above.
- 3. Any audition changes the day of the event are handled at the ECMEA Headquarters located in the Library Media Center.

## **Additional Information:**

- 1. Report to your room at least 15 minutes before your scheduled time for check-in, etc. This helps keep rooms running on time in case of "no-shows."
- 2. The percussion equipment available are 4 Yamaha Timpani, Musser Kelon Xylophone and a MalletTech 4-1/3 octave Marimba. Snare Drums are NOT provided.
- 3. Twin Village Music repair personnel will be available in the cafeteria for any emergency repairs. (Subject to availability.)
- 4. Music and Arts is located in the heart of Orchard Park on N. Buffalo Road and will be open for any last minute music purchases. (Saturday Hours: 10 am 5 pm)
- 5. FOOD We will have lots of great food for sale in the cafeteria, sponsored by the Quaker Marching Band Boosters. We appreciate your support!
- 6. The ECMEA Headquarters is in the Library/Media Center Room 2.
- JUDGES SHEET PICK-UP- Library/Media Center *Teachers/Faculty only, please!!!* \*\*NO SCORES WILL BE POSTED\*\* Teachers will communicate these with their students directly.
- 8. Faculty / Bus Driver Coffee and Donuts will be in the Library/Media Center
- 9. Cancellation due to weather emergency:
  - posted on the ECMEA website www.ecmea.org under Emergency Closing
  - reported on WIVB.com (Channel 4)
  - reported on WBEN.com (New Radio 930 AM)
  - reported on WGRZ.com (Channel 2)

Sincerely,

Scott Bean,

Director of Bands

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