

# *Southeast District Senior Festival 2009*

**General Information for Students, Parents, and Directors**

**Brockton High School ~ Fine Arts Center**

*January 9 & 10 (Snow Date is January 11th)*

## **Welcome**

The Brockton Music Department is pleased to host the 2009 Southeast District MMEA Senior Festival. Included with this information packet you will find a rehearsal schedule, information on meals and snacks, how to purchase tickets and recordings, concert dress requirements, and directions to Brockton High School. School will be in session on Friday, and you will only be allowed in the music performance areas of the school. In case of emergency during the festival we can be reached at 508—580-7656. Please direct all other questions to the music directors at your own school. We hope that everyone enjoys the Festival!

## **Registration**

Registration will take place in the lobby of the auditorium beginning on Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM and ending at 9:15 AM. *Only directors register schools*; students should proceed directly to their rehearsal site. Brockton Music representatives will handle registration alphabetically by school in the Performing Arts Center lobby. Staff responsibility forms and designated chaperone forms, and any outstanding medical forms (there were a few students who did not have their medical forms – these must be turned in at the festival) must be completed and handed in before students can be officially registered. Students are expected to be warmed up and ready to begin rehearsal (not arrive) promptly at 9:15 AM in the following locations all within Brockton High School:

- Choir: In Room 226 – the Chorus Room
- Band: On Stage
- Jazz Band: On Stage in the Little Theater
- Orchestra: In the Band Room

**As per ruling of the Secondary School Principal's Association, no student participating in this Festival is permitted to drive to or from the Festival.**

## *District Festival Information*

### **Meals**

Students are responsible for bringing their own bagged lunch, water, snacks, and any other personal items that they will need on Friday and Saturday. **There will not be any food or snacks for sale during the festival. Directors are responsible for getting for their own meals while at the festival.**

### **Busses and Parking**

All cars, vans, and buses should park in the parking lot facing the Fine Arts building. The auditorium is located at the end of the school complex (when entering from Belmont Street – Rte. 123).

## **Nurse**

A nurse will be on duty during rehearsal hours. Directors are asked to make any specific medical needs known to the nurse at registration. If necessary, student medications may be turned in to the nurse upon arrival.

## **Cancellation**

Any cancellation information or postponement due to inclement weather will be posted on the District web site: <http://semmea.org/> a message will also be posted on the District phone at (508) 378-8045.

## **Concert and Tickets**

The concert will begin at 2:00 p.m. sharp on Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup>. (Snow date is Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. if both Friday and Saturday is snowed out.) The doors open at 1:30 p.m., and pre-concert festivities begin at 1:50 p.m. We recommend you inform your audience members they do not need to arrive extremely early and stand in the lobby. This year, the program order is Chorus, Jazz Band, Orchestra, and Band.

The Brockton High School Performing Arts Center has 1500 seats. There will be no limit on the number of tickets that you are able to purchase. Tickets will be on sale **Friday** during breaks and lunch for \$8. Tickets can be left on reserve to be picked up by parents on Saturday, or tickets can be brought home Friday evening. Checks should be made out to *S.E. District MMEA*.

## **Concert Dress:**

Men: Suit or sport jacket, white dress shirt, long tie, dark shoes, and dark socks. No bow ties, no sneakers, no jeans.

Women: Street length dress, stockings, and dark shoes. No slacks, no sandals, no miniskirts.

## **Recording**

A CD of the entire concert will be made by John Brooks Recording Company. The cost of the CD will be \$20.00 and checks should be made out to the \_\_\_\_\_. Students can order the CD in the lobby of the auditorium on Friday or Saturday during breaks. Orders can also be placed either before or after the concert. No other recording of the concert is permitted.

## **Directions**

Take Rte. 24 North/South to exit 17A (Rte. 123 East – Brockton). Proceed to third traffic light. At the third traffic light, take a right just after Friendly's onto Angus Beaton Drive. Go all the way to the back of the building and enter through the Fine Arts building.

<b><i>Senior District Schedule</i></b>
<b>2009 Southeast District Senior Festival</b>

*January 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> (Snow Date is January 11<sup>th</sup>)*

## **Preparation**

Students should know the music prior to arrival for the Festival. Percussionists should bring extra sticks, mallets, etc. Other instrumentalists should have extra reeds, valve oil, strings, rosin, etc. **All students should have their music folders, a pencil at every rehearsal and we ask that all instrumentalists bring a folding music stand.** The music **will** be collected at the end of the concert. To ensure that rehearsals begin promptly, students should allow ample time for warm up. Breaks are provided within the rehearsal framework at the discretion of the conductor.

### **General MMEA Rules**

No student will be allowed to participate unless they have attended **all** rehearsals. Any student who does not participate in the Festival for a non-medical reason will not be allowed to audition for the Festival next year. Any student found in the possession of drugs or alcohol will be dismissed from the Festival and referred to Brockton Police. Students should warm up and remain in their assigned areas. Brockton Police will handle any abuse, vandalism, or lack of care to facilities or other individual's property. There is no smoking in any of the buildings by order of the State Fire Marshall - student smoking is not permitted at any time.

### **Schedule: Friday January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

All: Registration takes place from 8:00AM to 8:45AM in the lobby of the Brockton High School Fine Arts building. Students go directly to your rehearsal site, and be warmed up and ready to play or sing promptly at 9:00AM. **Only directors should be at the registration area.**

### **Friday January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009:**

#### ***Chorus:***

9:15 – 12:00 In Room 266 – the Chorus Room  
12:00 – 12:30 Lunch in the Chorus Room  
12:30 – 5:00 In Room 226 – the Chorus Room

#### ***Band:***

9:15-12:30 - On Stage  
12:30 – 1:00 - Lunch on Stage or Back Stage in the Performing Arts Center (not in Auditorium)  
1:15 – 5:00 - In the Band Room

#### ***Orchestra:***

9:15 – 12:30 - In Band Room  
12:30 – 1:00 - Lunch in Band Room  
1:15 – 5:00 - On Stage

#### ***Jazz Band:***

9:15 – 12:00 - On Stage in the Little Theater  
12:00 – 12:30 - Lunch on Stage in the Little Theater  
12:30 – 5:00 - On Stage in the Little Theater

### **Saturday January 10, 2009**

#### ***Chorus***

8:30 – 10:25 - On Stage

10:30- 12:00 - Azure Cafeteria  
12:00 – 12:30 - Lunch in Azure Cafeteria  
12:30 – 1:00 - Change  
2:00 - Concert Begins

***Orchestra***

8:30 – 12:00 - In Green Cafeteria  
12:00 – 12:30 - Lunch in the Green Cafeteria  
1:00 – 1:30 - Change  
2:00 - Concert Begins

***Band***

8:30-12:30 - In the Band Room  
12:30 – 1:00 - Lunch in the Band Room  
12:30 – 1:00 - Change  
2:00 – Concert Begins

***Jazz Band***

10:30 – 12:25 On Stage  
12:30 – 1:00 Lunch in Little Theater  
1:00 – 1:30 Change  
2:00 Concert Begins

<b><i>Meetings for teachers and directors:</i></b>	
Friday:	2:00 MMEA executive board meeting (site – TBD)
	3:15 MMEA General Membership Meeting in the Lecture Hall
Saturday:	9:00 SEMSBA executive board meeting
	10:00 SEMSBA General Membership Meeting in the Lecture Hall