

**Welcome Letter: CCMEA All County
Northern Adirondack Central School**

On behalf of the Clinton County Music Educators Association, as well as Northern Adirondack Central School, **congratulations** on your acceptance into our All-County music festival! We are looking forward to welcoming you for two exciting days of rehearsing and music-making, culminating in a concert at **2:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 3rd.**

In advance of the festival, it is very important that all students feel very familiar with their parts in their music. Use your time wisely, and practice the music outside of school so that your teacher is able to help you refine your part, rather than teaching it all to you from scratch! Remember, a great ensemble is no better than the sum of its parts - in other words, the more well prepared *you* are for all-county, the more successful the entire ensemble will be as a result.

Things to Bring With You:

Please arrive at All-County prepared with the following on both Friday and Saturday.

- Your instrument, music in a folder, and a pencil (or two!)
- A full water bottle (you may refill it at NACS)
- A packed lunch (we will not be serving lunch on either day)
 - **Please avoid foods with common allergens such as nuts. Thank you.**

Dress Code:

Follow your regular school dress code on Friday for rehearsals. **For Saturday, all students must arrive in concert attire (there will not be time or a room set aside for changing).** All participating students should dress for the All-County Concert in clothing considered modest dress-up clothing. If possible, avoid wearing sneakers, jeans, t-shirts, clothing with writing, and spaghetti straps. Good choices for the top would be a shirt with a collar and a tie, a sweater, or dressy blouse. For the remainder of your concert attire, good choices would be non-jeans pants, knee length or longer skirts or dresses.

Address of school:

Northern Adirondack Central Middle/High School, 5572 US-11, Ellenburg Center, NY 12934
Buses should enter the main entrance, go straight then turn left to drop off students at the front of the Middle/High School building. A parking location for buses will be updated as soon as possible.

Other visitors, please follow the signs for traffic direction as you enter the parking lot. Please do not park directly in front of the building in the bus loop pickup area. Any other parking location is acceptable.

Arrival and Transportation:

Students should arrive at NACS between 8:30 AM and 8:55 AM on Friday, and before 8:55 AM on Saturday. Students will be dismissed at 3:30 PM on Friday. The concert begins at 2:30 PM on Saturday, and the concert should end around 4:00 PM on Saturday.

Concert: Tickets will be \$5/person (max. of \$15/family) to support CCMEA events.

**Festival Schedule: CCMEA All County
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Friday, Feb. 2nd

Breaks at the discretion of the conductors.

Time	Orchestra	Concert Band	Mixed Chorus
8:30-8:55	Arrival and Check-In through HS entrance. Rehearsal begins at 9:00.		
9:00-11:15	Rehearsal (band room)	Rehearsal (auditorium)	Rehearsal (MS Gym)
11:15-11:45	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
11:45 - 3:30	Rehearsal	Rehearsal	Rehearsal

Saturday, Feb. 3rd

Time	Orchestra	Concert Band	Mixed Chorus
8:40 - 8:55	Arrival - Rehearsals Begin at 9 AM.		
9:00 - 11:00	Rehearsal (band room)	Rehearsal (auditorium)	Rehearsal (MS Gym)
<i>10:00</i>	<i>CCMEA teachers meet at this time in E-42</i>		
11:00 - 11:45	Lunch	Dress Rehearsal	Continue Rehearsing
12:00 - 12:45	Continue Rehearsing Move items to Gym before Dress rehearsal	Lunch (Cafeteria)	Dress Rehearsal
1:00 - 1:45	Dress Rehearsal	Extra rehearsal time if needed in Band Room	Lunch
2:00 p.m.	All ensembles back to their locations. Doors open to families.		
2:30 p.m.	Concert Begins. Order: Orchestra, Mixed Chorus, Concert Band		

Concert Begins at 2:30 p.m. and should end by 4:00 p.m.