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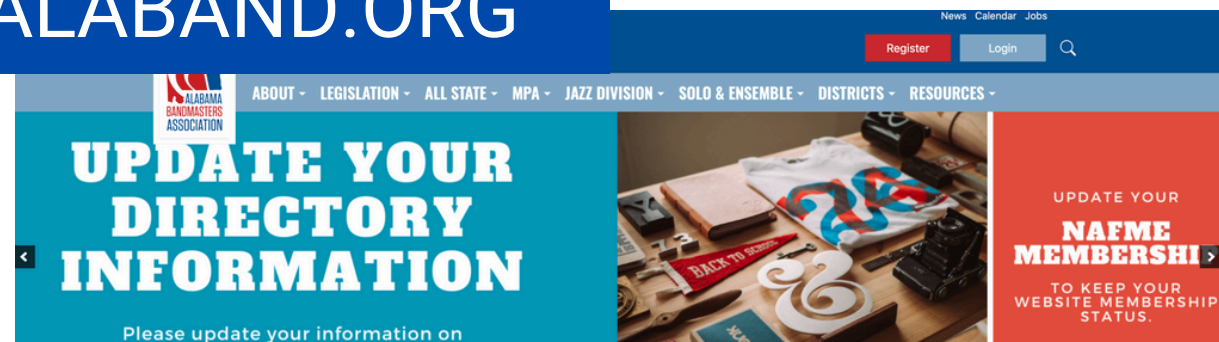
DISTRICT EVENT SCHEDULE

Event	Location	Date	Postmark Deadline
District Fall Meeting	Zoom Call 6:30 pm	August 19, 2025	N/A
All-State Jazz Recordings Submissions	alaband.org	November 14, 2025	10/31/2025
AMEA Conference/Jazz All-State Festival	BJCC (Birmingham)	January 22-24, 2026	TBA
All-State/District Honor Band Auditions	Brookwood Middle School	January 31, 2026	12/19/2025
District Honor Band	University of Alabama	February 20-21, 2026	02/06/2026
District Spring Meeting	University of Alabama	February 21, 2026	N/A
MPA	University of Alabama	March 10-13, 2026	02/13/2026
All-State	Arthur R. Outlaw Center (Mobile)	April 16-18, 2026	TBA
Solo & Ensemble (Tuscaloosa Site)	Brookwood Middle School	April 25, 2026	04/03/2026
Solo & Ensemble (Prattville Site)	Marbury High School	May 7, 2026	04/16/2026



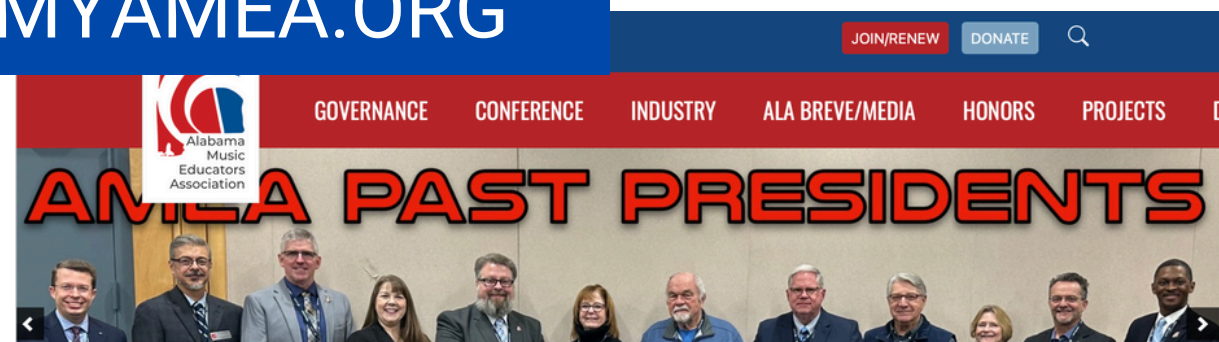
WEBSITES

ALABAND.ORG



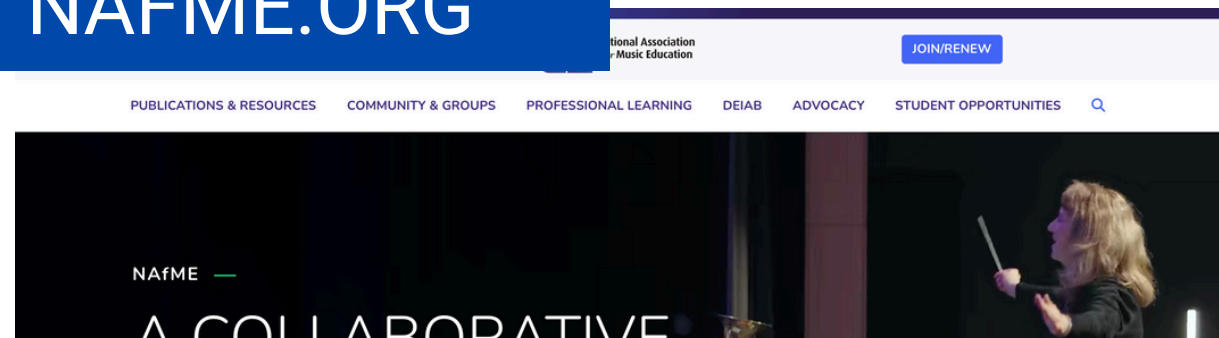
Visit often for updates! You cannot login (and register for events) without NAFME membership up to date.

MYAMEA.ORG



Register for AMEA Conference

NAFME.ORG



Update your membership. If you have login issues, email [Doug Farris](#) and copy D5 [Chairman](#) and [Vice Chairman](#).



AMEA CONFERENCE

Event Date: January 22-24, 2026

Where: BJCC

Registration: Open Now (Aug 1)

Accommodations are live on the AMEA website. (myamea.org)

- In conjunction with Jazz All-State



JAZZ ALL-STATE



Same as AMEA:

Event Date: January 22-24, 2026

Where: BJCC

Registration

- Deadline to Apply: Oct 31
- Audition Window: Nov 1-14 (Recorded audition)
- Audition info can be found on alaband.org
- Results by:
- Event Registration: Dec 8

Fees:

Audition: \$15 per student, \$20 school fee

Festival: \$50 per student



MPA

Event Date: March 10-13, 2026

Where: University of Alabama (Moody Music Building)

[“How to MPA at Moody” Video](#)

Registration deadline: February 13, 2026

- Directors choose [classification](#)
- One piece must be from the [Cumulative List](#)
 - Deadline to request an exemption is January 16, 2026
- Deadline to request for student(s) to play in multiple ensembles is January 16, 2026
- [Sightreading UIL](#) - Percussion, Key signatures, and other information released before MPA
- If you need changes after submission, email [Jeff](#) and [Brooke](#)
 - Music selections, seating charts, etc

Fees: \$2 per student, \$100 school fee per band

- 30 minute warmup
- 3 scores with numbered measures
 - No photocopies
 - E-prints must be bound
- [MPA Rubrics](#)
- You will sightread the UIL level that matches your classification choice
- **[Read the Bylaws!](#)** (MPA info starts on pg. 13)
- “Comments Only” is a viable option



MPA - Continued

March 10 - AM/Afternoon

March 11 - AM/Evening

March 12 - AM/Afternoon

March 13 - All day

Head Judge
Stage Judge



MIKE HOLMES

Stage Judge



DR. CARA MORANTZ

Stage Judge



DAVID ALLINDER

Sightreading



JOEL HENSON



JAZZ MPA



Thompson HS Site: April 9
Decatur Site:
Ozark Site:

Registration: Opens in January

- Traditional and Non-traditional middle and high school options
- 3 pieces of different styles: Swing, Latin, Other
- “Comments Only” is an option
- After performance, one judge will give a clinic to band. No sightreading component.

Fees: \$2 per student, \$100 school fee per band



ALL-STATE AUDITIONS

Event Date: January 31, 2026

Where: Brookwood Middle School

Registration deadline: December 19, 2026

Late Registration deadline: January 9, 2026

Music is available on www.alaband.org.

We need all District 5 directors, regardless of whether you have students auditioning or not, to help judge the event on January 31.

Audition Fees:

- \$15 per student
- \$15 school fee



DISTRICT HONOR BAND

Event Date: February 20-21, 2026

Where: University of Alabama

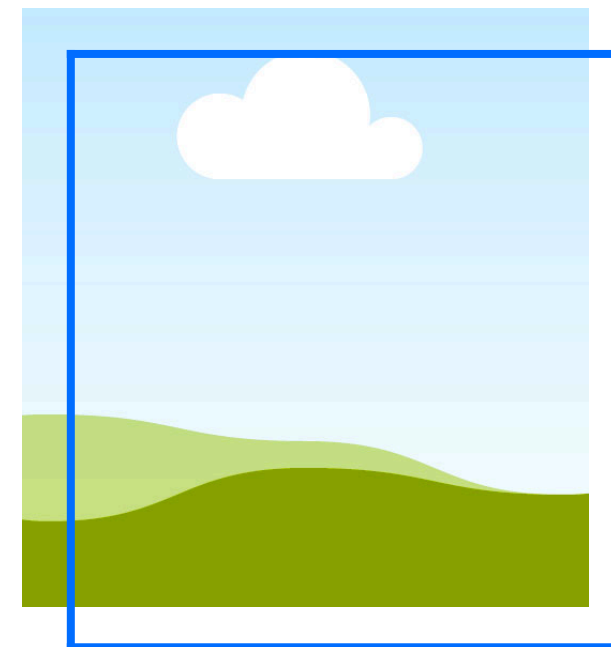
Registration deadline: Feb 6, 2026

- (One week after auditions)

Fees:

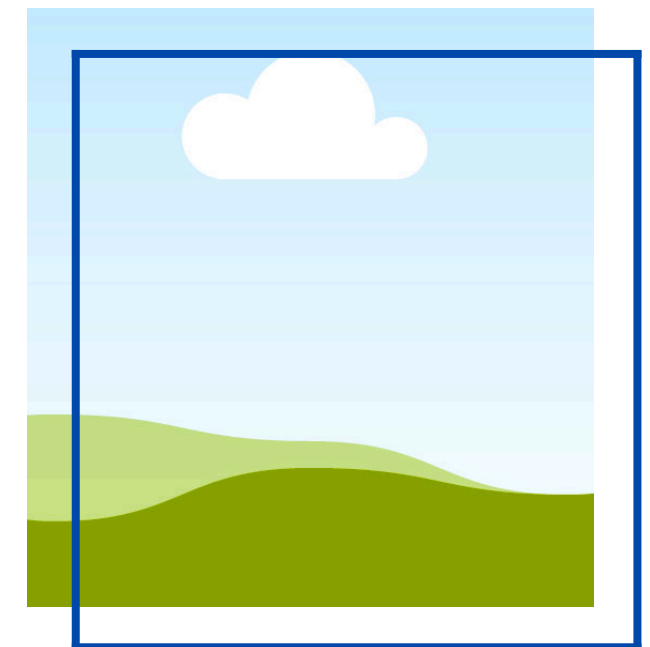
- \$35 per student
- \$25 school fee

- District Spring Meeting
 - Saturday morning, Feb 21



MS CLINICIAN

MS Clinician



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ALL-STATE FESTIVAL

Event Date: April 16-18, 2026

Where: Arthur R. Outlaw Center, Mobile

Registration Postmark Deadline: TBA

Announcement of Etude:

Audition Window:

Judging Window:

Announcement of All-State Chair Placement:

Fees:

- \$40 per student
- \$50 school fee



ALL-STATE SOLO FESTIVAL

Registration Deadline:

- March 1
- March 9 with \$50 late fee

March 8-March 22 Audition window

April 4 - Finalists notified

April 6 - Mandatory Zoom with finalists

April 9 - Solo Finals



ALL-STATE FESTIVAL

Red Band



EMILY THREINEN

University of Minnesota
Twin Cities

White Band



LORAS JOHN SCHISSEL

Senior Musicologist,
Library of Congress

Blue Band



DANH PHAM

Washington State University

Middle School



DARCY VOGT-WILLIAMS

Stiles Middle School
Leander, TX

Middle School



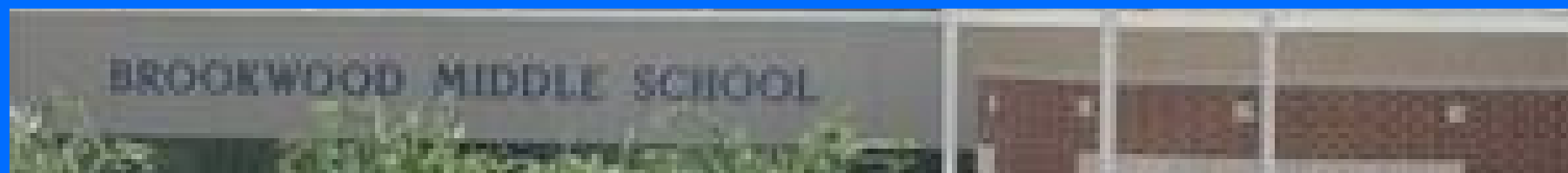
AUDREY MURPHY

East Cobb MS
Marietta, GA



SOLO AND ENSEMBLE

Tuscaloosa Site



Event Date: April 25, 2026

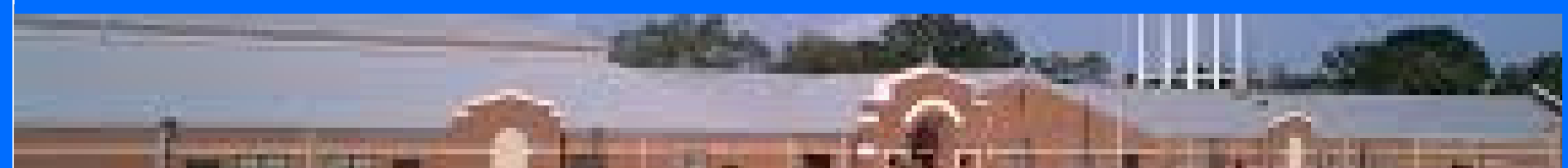
Where: Brookwood Middle School

Registration deadline: April 3, 2026

Fees:

- \$5 per event
- \$10 school fee

Prattville Site



Event Date: May 7, 2026

Where: Marbury High School

Registration: April 16, 2026

Fees:

- \$5 per event
- \$10 school fee



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