# FALL MEETING ABA DISTRICT 5

AUGUST 2025

## ABA DISTRICT 5

**District Event Schedule** 

**AMEA Conference** 

**Jazz All-State** 

**MPA** 

**Jazz MPA** 

**All-State Auditions** 

**District Honor Band** 

**All-State Festival** 

**Solo and Ensemble** 

**Contacts** 

**Link to Fall Meeting** 



## DISTRICT EVENT SCHEDULE

| Event                                   | Location                         | Date                 | Postmark<br>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



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



Register for AMEA Conference



Update your membership. If you have login issues, email <u>Doug Farris</u> and copy D5 <u>Chairman</u> and <u>Vice</u> <u>Chairman</u>.



## AMEA CONFERENCE

Event Date: January 22-24, 2026

Where: BJCC

Registration: Open Now (Aug 1)

Accommodations are live on the AMEA

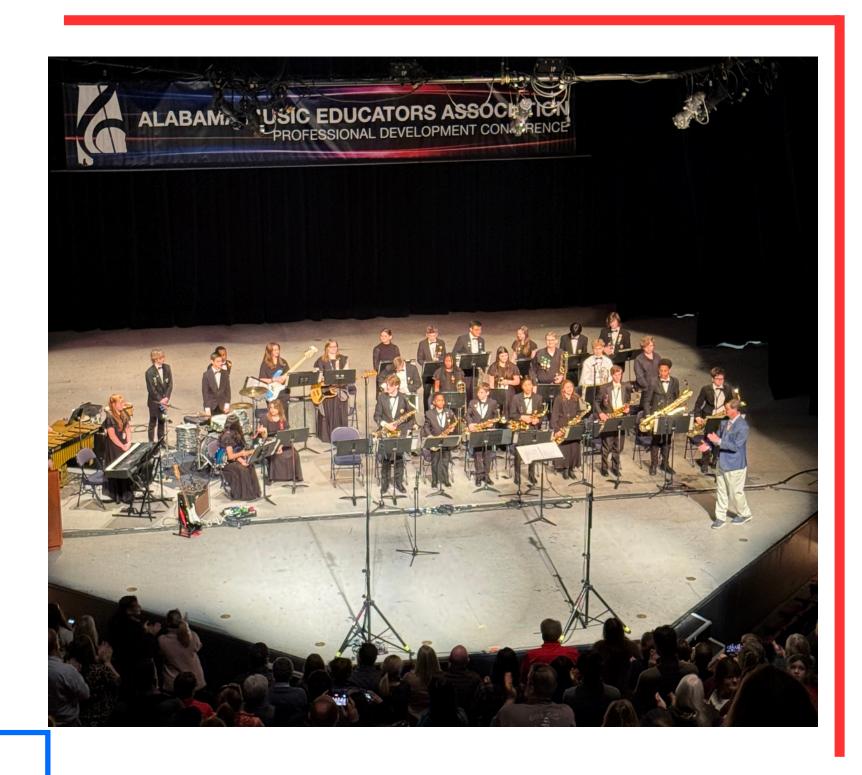
website. (<u>myamea.org</u>)

• 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 <u>classification</u>
- One piece must be from the <u>Cumulative List</u>
  - 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

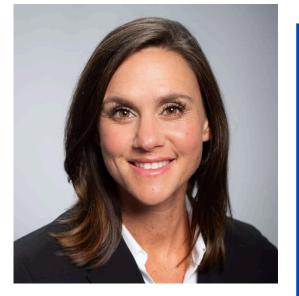
March 13 - All day

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

For District HB- All students will be able to complete the entire audition, even if they do not pass scales.





## DISTRICT HONOR BAND

Event Date: February 20-21, 2026

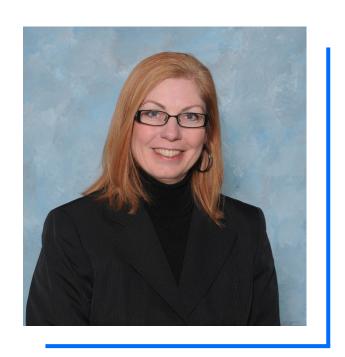
Where: University of Alabama

Registration deadline: Feb 6, 2026

• (One week after auditions)

#### Fees:

- \$35 per student
- \$25 school fee
- District Spring Meeting
  - o Saturday morning, Feb 21



SUSAN BASS

MS Clinician



DR. CHRISTOPHER
MOREHOUSE
HS Clinician



## ALL-STATE FESTIVAL

Event Date: April 16-18, 2026

Where: Arthur R. Outlaw Center, Mobile Registration Postmark Deadline: TBA

Announcement of Etude: TBA

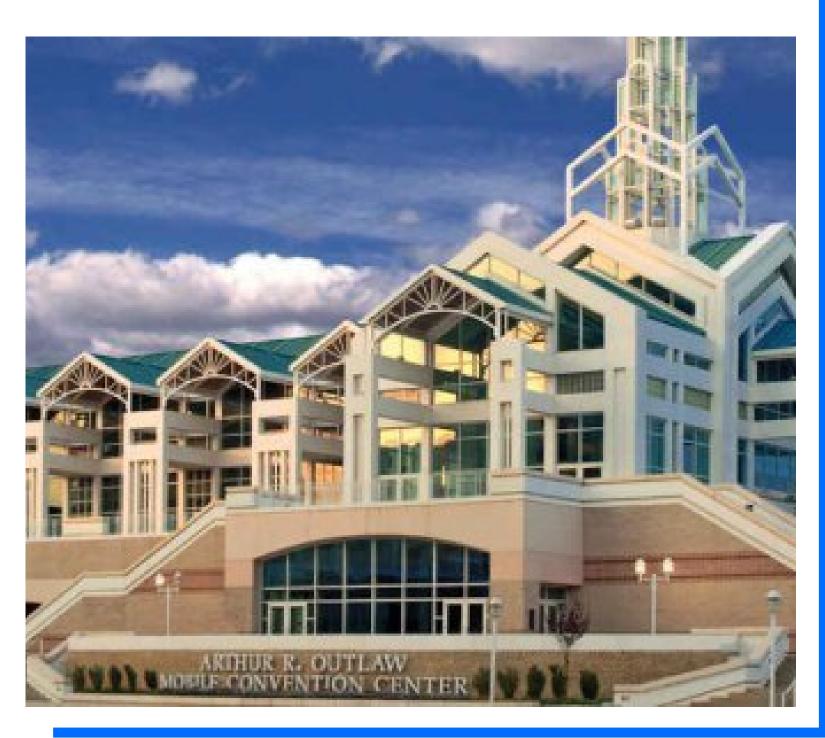
Audition Window: TBA Judging Window: TBA

Announcement of All-State Chair Placement: TBA

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



White Band



Blue Band



Middle School



Middle School



**EMILY THREINEN** 

University of Minnesota
Twin Cities

**LORAS JOHN SCHISSEL** 

Senior Musicologist, Library of Congress

**DANH PHAM** 

Washington State University

**DARCY VOGT-WILLIAMS** 

Stiles Middle School Leander, TX

**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



## PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Look for publication on alaband.org.

• Level 1 MPA Proposal

## CHANGES TO LEGISLATION

- Small changes to middle school scale requirements. Check audition requirements.
- All-State fees retired directors can attend without a fee. Additional directors or directors without students will not have to pay an additional school fee (\$40 instead of \$50+\$40= \$90)



## CONTACTS



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