



LETTER to ADMINISTRATION

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PURPOSE

The Tri-State Band Festival, hosted by Florida State University, recognizes the accomplishments of outstanding high school musicians from Florida, Georgia, and Alabama. This event offers an intensive four-day musical experience with rehearsals, masterclasses, and concerts led by world-class clinicians, culminating in a finale performances.

As part of the festival, the Director's Conference and Conducting Clinic offers professional development courses, and sessions for band directors, affording them the opportunity to continue their education under the instruction of esteemed FSU faculty members.

HISTORY

In 1971 the Tri-State Festival began exclusively as an honorary jazz band. In 1980, under the direction of Dr. James Croft, a concert ensemble was added to the festival, resembling what we know today as the Tri-State Band Festival. Since then, FSU has hosted the event forty-one times and expanded it to include four concert bands and a honors jazz band, providing thousands of students the opportunity to learn and grow as musicians.

PARTICIPATION COSTS

Participation cost covers lodging, all meals during the Tri-State timeline, transportation to and from rehearsals and concerts, instructional expenses including masterclass, rehearsals, a performance, and a t-shirt. Local student costs include all amenities except for the cost of lodging. Students selected for the Tri-State Festival must provide their own transportation to and from Tallahassee.

\$395- Overnight Students \$295- Local Students

SCHEDULE

Dec 5: Check-In & FSU Jazz Orchestra Concert
Dec 6: Rehearsals, Director's Conference,
& PRISM Concert
Dec 7: Rehearsals, Director's Conference,
& Finale Jazz Band Performance
Dec 8: Finale Concert Bands Performances

DEADLINES

Sept 30: Online Nominations Close
Sept 30: Honors Jazz Auditions Due
Oct 30: Conducting Clinic Applications Due
Oct 30: Student Registration & Payment Due