

MMEA All State Concert Committee 2011

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Chaperone Update Information

The Concert Committee requires your kind assistance.

As you may or may not know, student supervision is primarily the responsibility of the individual directors or their designees (chaperones) throughout the three days of the festival. The Concert Committee (coordinators and ensemble managers) is far too small to adequately monitor all participating students outside rehearsals, particularly this year as we are divided between two locations. Therefore, it is vital that we have assistance during the “unstructured” times. Those are:

- ~ meal times and travel between the World Trade Center and the Seaport Hotel*
- ~ evening activities on Thursday and Friday between rehearsal and bedtime*
- ~ migration times between hotels for chorus and jazz band*
- ~ bus loading for trip to Symphony Hall*

We will balance the amounts of time as equitably as possible. Your coverage time will be confirmed and a station assigned when you check in on Thursday morning, March 24th.

Chaperone responsibilities are minimal. You are asked to make sure students are 1) in assigned areas, 2) wearing their identification badges, and 3) are not doing anything socially unacceptable. Any student presenting a problem should be brought to an ensemble manager or concert coordinator, who will in turn contact the student’s festival chaperone.

Once again, we thank you for your support.