

Chaperone Duties Outline PMEA All-State Ensembles

Chaperones share duties in supervising the All-State students throughout the festival. There are times when everyone needs to be "on duty" and other times when we only need 2 at a time per ensemble.

Wednesday duties commence around 3pm (actual time TBA) with an orientation meeting, and continue through Wednesday evening until bed check. Everyone is needed during this time. There are 6 chaperones per ensemble - Chorus, Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, Orchestra, and Jazz (Jazz Band and Vocal Jazz count as one ensemble for chaperoning purposes.)

NOTE: All-State chaperones are EXEMPT from serving at Wednesday auditions at All-State! If you have a student in one of the ensembles, please NOTE this on the Audition Preference form that you send in to the ensemble host. We will make arrangements for getting your student to the audition site based on the local logistics, since the venues change from year-to-year.

Daytime duties for Thursday and Friday commence with breakfast supervision. All chaperones are usually on duty until after we get the kids on the buses to their rehearsal sites.

From there we require 2 chaperones per ensemble "on duty" with the kids. The chaperones will work this schedule out among themselves, based on what clinics and performances each chaperone would like to see, if possible. You can also use that downtime to view the exhibits - my favorite activity!

Evening duties require all chaperones to be "on duty" for the featured evening concerts, "down time" supervision, and bed checks.

Saturday is a very busy day, requiring all chaperones to be "on duty" until their ensemble's concert is completed.

PMEA pays for:

- your meals that are eaten with the students;
- room (2 chaperones per room);
- entry to featured evening concerts with the students;
- conference registration.