

UMEA State Orchestra Festival

2020

Venue Address:

Orem High School
175 S. 400 E.
Orem, UT 84097

20 February 2020

Dear Directors,

Congratulations to you and your students for qualifying for the 2020 UMEA State Orchestra Festival! We hope that this culminating event will serve as a benefit to your program. As you prepare for the festival, here are some reminders and directions to help the day run more smoothly:

Within the allotted time, each group should perform festival appropriate selections that demonstrate variety in style and genre. The repertoire must be of a difficulty level appropriate for the group. Arrangements of popular music and/or movie soundtracks are not considered festival appropriate. If there is any question regarding a selection, refer to festival repertoire lists that are widely available on-line. Orchestras should plan on performing 2 or 3 pieces. If performing two pieces, the second selection should be of appropriate length that includes multiple movements or complete sections of contrasting style. Orchestras must perform literature of at least grade 3 difficulty.

Accompanying this letter, you will find maps with parking and logistical information to help you find warm up areas and case storage. Please familiarize yourself with this information and direct your drivers and parents accordingly. There will also be a welcome table when you enter each venue with someone who will be able to answer any remaining questions.

You will all need to **bring your own Adjudication Forms**, filled out digitally, and double-sided (not stapled together). **You will need three copies**, one for each judge, printed on pink paper. The form can be found here: <https://www.uhsaa.org/music/forms/LargeInstrumentalEns.pdf> You will also need to have **three original copies** of the conductor scores for each piece with the measures numbered. It will be your responsibility to provide those items; they will not be provided for you.

After the festival, you will receive an email with links to judges' audio commentary as well as a "clean" recording (with no commentary) of your group's performance. We hope that these will be beneficial to you and your students.

We are looking forward to seeing you and hearing your students! Please don't hesitate to ask any questions.

UMEA Orchestra Committee

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