

Tampa: Ready, Set, Go!

It is the sincere hope of the FMEA that teachers who choose to participate in the FMEA All-State Orff Ensemble will reap the professional development benefits that accompany participation. The rehearsals and the conference will provide music teachers with valuable training in Orff Schulwerk process for singing, playing, moving, improvising and creating. This training will enable teachers to transfer learned knowledge into their school music programs.

- **Before leaving:**

- Make sure parent or designated adult guardian understands the requirement to stay with the All-State student during all rehearsals and supervise at all non-rehearsal times.
- Reminder that only the All-State student is allowed in the convention center except for the concert.
- Check to be sure of hotel arrangements.
- Share contact information with chaperone.
- Designate a location to meet your student/chaperone to avoid confusion (i.e., at the hotel or main door of the convention center).
- Remind chaperone that only adults with badges will be permitted entry into the Tampa Convention Center except for the concert.
- Remind student and chaperone to be sitting in West Hall rehearsal area no later than 10:50 am for announcements.

- **At the Convention Center:**

- Teacher should pick up all FMEA registration materials prior to 10:15 am on Thursday.
- Check materials for all badges and tickets.
- Come to the Orff Teacher Check-in area between 10:15 am and 10:50 am
- Orff Teacher Check-in organized by teacher last name and is for teachers only.
- **Teachers who are not present at registration will not be allowed to have students participate in the All-State Orff Ensemble. The school principal will also receive a letter describing the situation.**
- Make sure student is in the rehearsal hall no later than 10:50 am for announcements.
- Keep emergency contact info with you.
- Assist with rehearsal as required.
- Attend concert and assist as needed.
- Assist with parent pick-up in Ballroom D immediately following the concert.
- Assist with instrument set-up (Wednesday), or re-packing (Friday).