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Entry Form for the ISSMA Solo & Ensemble Contest

Harrison High School in West Lafayette

February 7, 2026

Dear Wildcat Parents and Students,

Intermediate Band students are preparing for the annual **Indiana State Schools of Music Solo and Ensemble Contest.** The band director has been assisting students with the process of selecting good performance literature, and most have started working on their music. Please take note of the entry-fee costs, location, performance attire, and responsibilities listed below. This is the 3rd Quarter Performance Grade for ALL Intermediate students.

Performance Option #1: The ISSMA entry fee is required for this option. Students are highly encouraged top participate in the ISSMA Solo and Ensemble Contest at Harrison High School where their prepared performance will be:

1. Judged by a professional musician or band director.
2. Students will receive a judge's sheet with educational comments based on their performance.
3. Students will receive a Gold or Silver medal based on their performance

Performance Option #2: The ISSMA entry is NOT required for this option. This option will be solos only. Students will submit their prepared solo pieces to Canvas, just like a playing test…but much longer. Mr. Eisan will judge the prepared solos and provide educational comments in Canvas. But no fancy judge's sheet or medal will be awarded.

What are the benefits of Solo and Ensemble Contest?

* Opportunity to be a better musician
* Opportunity to raise your personal performance level
* Opportunity to perform music different than what we see in our daily class.
* Personal satisfaction of attaining a goal

Entry-Fees – Due by November 21, 2025

* Solos - $18.00 per solo
* Ensembles - $10.00 for each ensemble participant
* Cash is preferred, but you can send a check payable to Southwestern Band Boosters.

Performance Attire

Student performance attire will be the red and black band uniform, as described in the band handbook. Performance attire is a caption on the judge's sheet.

When: February 7, 2026 **Where:** Harrison High School

* All performance times will be announced in early January, after they are received by the band director from the Indiana State Schools of Music Association (ISSMA).

PLEASE FILL OUT THE PERMISSION SLIP ON THE BACK & RETURN TO THE TEACHER BY 11/21/25

ISSMA Solo and Ensemble Permission Slip - Due 11/21/25

Please send cash or a check payable to: Southwestern Band Boosters

We have read and understand the criteria for the ISSMA Solo & Ensemble Contest at Harrison High School on Saturday February 7, 2026.

- **Student performance attire will be concert black and white, as described in the band handbook under concert attire.**
- **Parents are responsible for providing their child transportation to and from the contest site of Harrison High School.**

IMPORTANT:

- **Indicate below which performance option you are choosing.**

_____ Performance Option #1 - ISSMA Contest at Harrison High School

_____ Performance Option #2 - Canvas (Solos ONLY)

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Parent/ Guardian Signature **Band Student Signature**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Eisan via school email.