

March 16, 2026

# ISSMA Band Contest Schedule Southwestern Middle School Friday April 10, 2026

## Advanced Band Schedule

- 6:15PM Arrive at Southwestern Middle School - Door A1 (Cafeteria Entrance)  
6:30PM Attendance and Materials Check - Music, Instrument, & Concert Attire  
6:35PM Introduce Chaperones and bus assignments  
Bus #1 = Percussion in front, then Low Reeds, Altos, Flutes & Clarinets  
Bus #2 = All Brass - Tubas in front, then Euphoniums, Trombones, & Trumpets  
Seating: Boys sit with Boys and Girls sit with Girls  
6:40PM Cell Phones OFF and in the phone boxes for each bus.  
6:45PM Load the buses - Attendance again on busses  
7:00PM Leave for Seeger Memorial Jr./Sr. High School  
7:40PM Arrive, Unload, and go to homeroom area
- ***Absolutely No Playing of Any Instruments outside Warm-up or Performance Areas!***
  - ***This is a strict ISSMA rule and any band will be penalized!***
- 7:45PM Seated in homeroom area - Percussionist's set-up equipment  
7:55 PM Instruments out of cases  
8:00 PM Line up by performance rows for transit to warm-up  
8:05 PM Transit to Warm-up  
8:10 PM Warm-up  
8:35 PM Transit to perform  
**8:40 PM Southwestern Advanced Band Contest Performance**  
9:05 PM Transit from Performance area to homeroom area  
9:10 PM All equipment and instruments are put away and wait for contest results.  
9:20 PM Contest Results & Parent Sign-out time  
9:25PM Distribute cell phones, load buses, and leave for Southwestern  
10:00 PM Arrive at Southwestern and unload the buses  
Students can leave once everything is put away



## Field Trip Permission Slip

**Parents - Please keep the top part of this form as your schedule.  
Please return this portion to Mr. Eisan by Friday, March, 20 2026.**

I \_\_\_\_\_ give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to  
Parent/Legal Guardian Student Name

participate in the ISSMA Band Contest at Seeger Memorial Jr./Sr. High School on Friday April 10, 2026.  
I also understand this competition is a co-curricular part of the band class grade.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Please check below if you are able to help chaperone:**

I am able to chaperone for the band contest on Friday April 10, 2026 and qualify for ONE of the following:

\_\_\_\_ I am a certified licensed teacher currently teaching in Indiana.

\_\_\_\_ I have completed the expanded background check for TSC within the past 3 years.

## **More Important ISSMA Band Contest Information**

**Parents – Please post this schedule and have your child ready to go.**

### **Concert Attire:**

- Gentlemen:
  - Wear your RED Band Polo Shirt
  - Black Pants, Black Belt, Black Socks, and Black Dress Shoes.
- Ladies:
  - Wear your RED Band Polo Shirt
  - Black Pants and Black Socks (Socks optional depending of footwear)
  - Black Dress Shoes - Flat OR closed-toe shoe with a heel of a 1 inch or less

### **The BUS:**

- Parents - All Advanced Band students **MUST** ride the bus to the contest site of Seeger Memorial Jr./Sr. High School.
- If you need to pick up your students **AFTER** the performance, please e-mail Mr. Eisan **BEFORE** Monday March 23, 2026. Students are responsible to take their music **AND** band instrument with them. Thank you.

### **Emergency instrument Repairs:**

There will NOT be any emergency repairs at the contest site. Please make sure your instrument is in proper playing condition **BEFORE** the band contest.

### **Students with medical needs such as medications, crutches, etc.**

If you have a student with medical needs, please plan on riding the bus or caravanning with the buses to Seeger Memorial Jr./Sr. High School. School nurses do NOT travel on the buses with students and teachers are NOT allowed to administer medications. If your child's medication might be wearing off by the end of the school, day, what will that look like for a band competition that requires extreme focus? Please see your physician for advice.

### **Concert Etiquette:**

Once a band starts performing, the doors to the auditorium will not be opened to enter or leave the auditorium. This is an ISSMA rule and it will be enforced! Remember, bands are being judged and recorded in the auditorium.

### **Your Grade:**

Yes - The ISSMA Band Contest is a co-curricular grade for band class. All band students are required to perform at the contest, as they are representing the music program and Southwestern Middle School...and they might have fun!

# INDIANA STATE SCHOOL MUSIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

## 2025-26 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE/DIRECTORS

President: Timothy Johnston, Seymour High School

Vice President: Peter Sampson, Whiteland Community High School

Past President: Paula Simmons, Elwood Junior-Senior High School

ISSMA Executive Director: Randy W. Greenwell

Instrumental Education Director: Mark A. Middleton

Choral Education Director: Scott A. Bradford

### *"A Statement from the ISSMA Office"*

*Directors are responsible for the behavior of their students at all ISSMA events. Instruction regarding proper conduct and expectations should be a part of the overall educational process. It is crucial that host schools, administrators and teachers can confidently host our events without fear of damage to school property or inappropriate behavior.*

*The directors of the member schools will serve as the liaison between ISSMA and schools, students, parents, and staff members regarding questions, comments or concerns for all ISSMA events.*

*Direct contact with any adjudicator is considered inappropriate.*

*Thank you in advance for your cooperation.*

### **ISSMA Statement of Philosophy (Core Values)**

**ISSMA** believes that every student in grades six through twelve attending an Indiana public or private school should have the opportunity to participate in a music ensemble taught by a licensed music educator that is included as part of each school's core curriculum.

**ISSMA** believes that participation in school music ensembles contributes to students' language and auditory development; physical, emotional, and social development; and cognitive and creative thinking skill development.

**ISSMA** believes that participation in educationally evaluated music performance opportunities provide an external assessment that promotes sound educational principles of music education.

**ISSMA** believes that participation in an ISSMA event should be focused on the commitment to achieving individual and group goals and accepted standards of excellence and should not be focused on winning a competition.

**ISSMA** believes it has legal and moral responsibility to provide a safe and respectful environment for participants, workers, adjudicators, volunteers and spectators.

# Indiana State School Music Association

## Parent Information Newsletter

The following information is being provided by the host of the upcoming ISSMA event in which your child will be participating. Please take a few moments to read the provided information to assist you and your child for this important performance opportunity.

PERFORMANCE : J/M/E Week 3 Organizational

LOCATION : Seeger Memorial Jr/Sr High School

1222 S State Road 263

West Lebanon, IN. 47991

TIME ZONE : Eastern Standard Time

When you first arrive at Seeger please drive around to the backside of the school and park in front of the Ura Seeger Auditorium. All performances will take place in the Ura Seeger Auditorium.

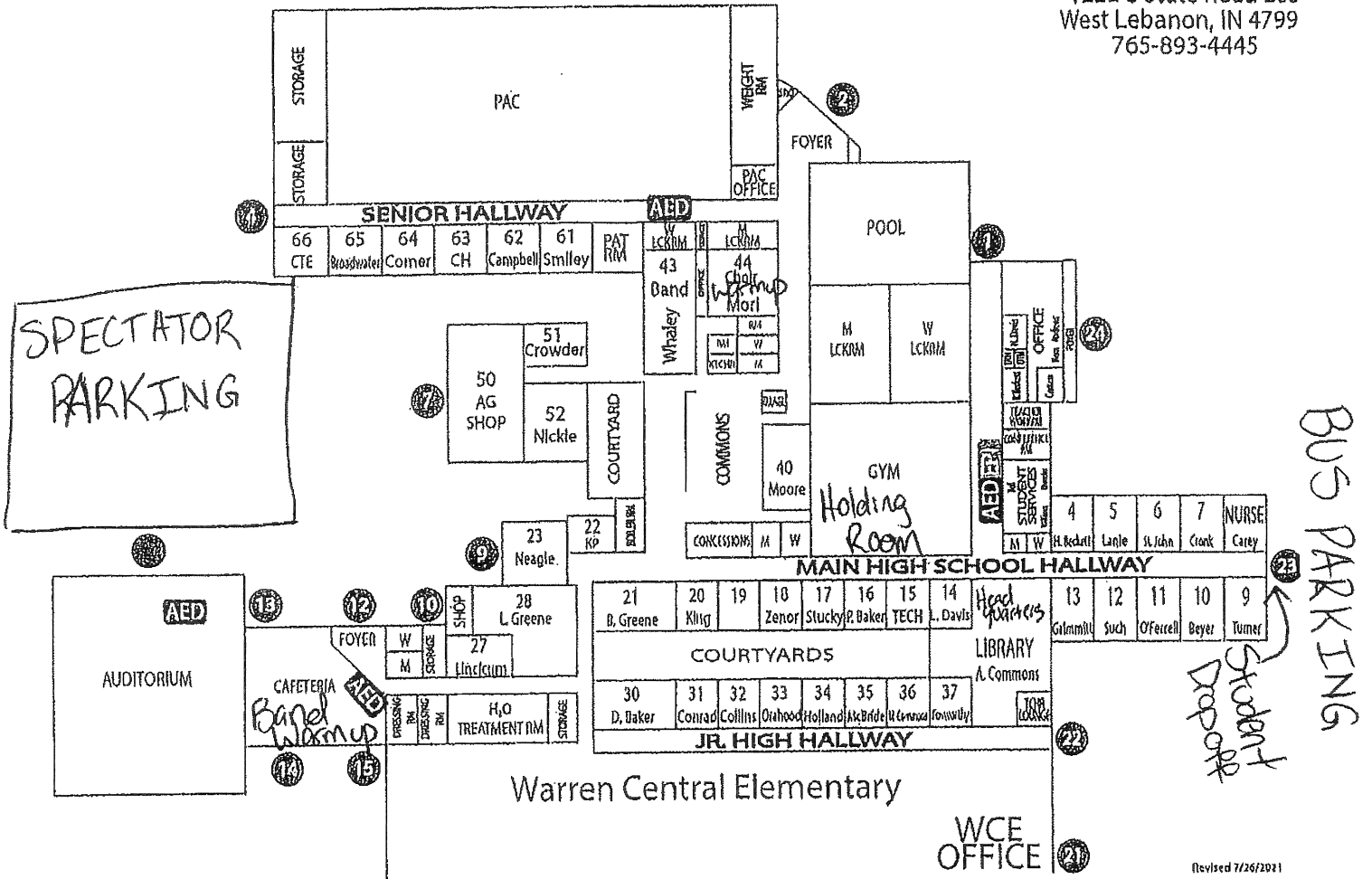
It is MOST IMPORTANT that you follow and are aware of the following guidelines:

- Once a performance has begun, NO ONE will be allowed to enter the performance area until **all three** musical selections are complete. Therefore, please plan to arrive no later than 15 – 20 minutes prior to your child's performance time.
- Some performance sites have multiple performance rooms, be sure to locate and identify the correct performance area prior to entry.
- Please be courteous of all performers, host officials, volunteers and the host facilities. It is allowable and encouraged that you applaud a fine performance, but proper concert etiquette must be followed.
- Electronic devices such as cell phones, tablets, and watches should be turned off or placed on a muted setting prior to entry to a performance room.
- Concessions will be available for you and your child while visiting the performance site. Food is NOT PERMITTED in any performance area.
- Every ensemble is performing music selected by the teacher for a panel of adjudicators. Ratings, not placings, are provided to each group based upon the rating established by the total panel.
- Please be aware that adjudicators will be recording comments during the performance. If you are distracted by their talking, please move to another seat in the auditorium between numbers.
- Any questions, comments, or concerns must be reported to the director who has entered the student in the event. Directors serve as the liaison between ISSMA and schools, students, parents and staff members.

Thank you for making a sound investment by supporting your child in such a wonderful educational opportunity!

# SEEGER MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

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