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Entry Form for the ISSMA Solo & Ensemble Contest

Harrison High School in West Lafayette

January 30, 2027

Dear Wildcat Parents and Students,

Advanced 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 Advanced Band Students.**

Performance Option #1:

1. **Solo & Ensemble music will be prepared outside of class time for Advanced Band.**
2. Students doing ISSMA Solo & Ensemble in Advanced Band should be taking lessons **OR** willing to meet once a week after school starting in December through January with Mr. Eisan to help prepare their music.
3. Students are highly encouraged to participate in the ISSMA Solo and Ensemble Contest at Harrison High School where their prepared performance will be:
   - Judged by a professional musician or band director.
   - Students will receive a judge's sheet with educational comments based on their performance.
   - Students will also receive a Gold or Silver medal based on their performance.
4. Students who choose to participate in option #1, will NOT have to complete the 5 playing tests in Quarter #3…unless they want extra credit.

Performance Option #2: ISSMA Solo and Ensemble is NOT required for this option. Instead, students will have to complete 5 playing tests over ISSMA Band Contest Music to earn the 100 points for their Quarter #3 performance grade. The 5 playing tests must be submitted to Canvas by midnight on January 30, 2027.

Entry-Fees – Due by November 20, 2026

* 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: January 30, 2027 **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 11/20/26



ISSMA Solo and Ensemble Permission Slip - Due 11/20/26

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 January 30, 2027.**
- **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.

_____ Option #1 - ISSMA Solo & Ensemble Contest at Harrison High School on January 30, 2027.

_____ Option #2 – Complete the 5 Playing Tests in Canvas over the ISSMA Band Contest music by midnight January 30, 2027

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Parent/ Guardian Signature **Band Student Signature**

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