**2021 New Jersey All-State Virtual Ensemble**

**Student Contract**

**This form must be signed by student and parent/guardian and returned by**

**Friday February 5, 2021.**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
**Ensemble Name:** (Circle One) Mixed Choir Orchestra Jazz Ensemble Jazz Choir

**General Expectations and Student Code of Conduct**

The following rules have been established for the participants of the 2021 NJ All-State Virtual Ensembles. Students shall at all times abide by and conform to the following:

**General Expectations**

1. Students will prepare all assigned music prior to the virtual event.
2. Students must provide their own instrument(s).
3. **All Students must attend all rehearsals in their entirety.** Illness is the only excuse for missing a rehearsal. Students who miss a rehearsal will not be included in the final recorded performance.
4. Rehearsal and Final Video Recording Expectations:
	* Students will cooperate fully with program staff, managers, conductors, and clinicians.
	* Students must login to each meeting at least 10 minutes early.
	* Be prepared for the scheduled activity before logging in (instrument, music, stand, pencil, assignments and/or questions prepared).
	* Your microphone should be muted unless instructed otherwise.
	* Use the chat feature only for appropriate content questions or use the "raise your hand" feature.
	* Setup in a space with minimal distractions (pets, other family members, external noise) and do not have additional screens open during All-State sessions.
	* Pets and family members/friends/other persons are not permitted to participate or view your screen during rehearsals or final recordings.
	* Do not use additional technology during virtual meetings unless otherwise instructed.
	* Be engaged and participate actively.
	* **Students must submit their final performance recordings by Sunday, November 21, 2021.**
5. Use, possession, or acquisition of alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, or illegal drugs is prohibited at any time during participation in the 2021 NJMEA All-State Virtual Ensembles. Any violation of this rule will result in immediate dismissal.
6. Students must dress appropriately for rehearsals and in their final video recording.
7. Students should notify All-State immediately if it is necessary to withdraw from the assigned 2021 NJMEA All-State Virtual Ensemble. Failure to do so will result in the student forfeiting their participation in the program and refund.

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**Code of Conduct**

1. Students shall not discriminate and shall be respectful of ethnic, national, and cultural differences.
2. Students shall respect the individual rights and safety of others. While participating in the All-National Honor Ensembles, respectful discourse and appropriate behavior shall be required of students. Students shall avoid the use of profanity, exhibit good sportsmanship, and refrain from all gestures and comments that a reasonable person may judge as unwelcome.
3. Students shall contribute to a collegial, inclusive, professional, positive, and respectful environment for fellow participants, conductors, and staff, and shall model the best in participant behavior.
4. Students shall communicate with others in a clear and respectful manner and in appropriate settings.
5. Inappropriate communication by email, online ensemble communication platforms, or in any public forum about NJMEA, other student participants, its conductors, staff, or stakeholders is not acceptable. Issues regarding NJMEA shall be taken up in private with the appropriate NJMEA staff member.
6. Students shall treat all other participants, conductors, and staff fairly and not discriminate on the basis of religion, actual and perceived gender, gender expression, gender identity, civil status, family status, sexual orientation, religion, age, medical condition or disability, race, ethnicity, socio-economic status, or culture.

**Cancellation Policy**

* Students that withdraw after the first scheduled rehearsal will not be eligible to participate in any NJ state ensemble for one calendar year. You must notify your ensemble manager of your intent to withdraw.
* Cancellations on or before October 19, 2021 will be permitted a 50% refund of the $80.00 registration fee.
* Cancellations after October 20, 2021 will not be provided a refund.

**FOR STUDENTS**

I, the undersigned, have read this official 2021 NJMEA All-State Virtual Ensembles Student Contract, agree to its contents, and agree to support its enforcement. If a violation of the General Expectations and Student Code of Conduct occurs, I understand my parent/legal guardian, and director will be notified, and that I, the student, may be dismissed from the program and removed from the final performance recording.

I understand that NJMEA has sole discretion to make all decisions including, but not limited to, decisions regarding disciplinary matters and the final approval of students selected to perform. I give permission for a professional recording and production team to edit student video recordings for use in final video performance for NJMEA noncommercial use.

I understand that a total evaluation of my All-State experience will be used to determine any recommendation for the Governor’s Award, All-Eastern Division and/or All-National Honors Ensembles. In addition to a position in the All-State ensemble, other factors such as behavior, promptness, and preparedness will also be considered. I understand these recommendations will be made by the ensemble administrative personnel with the approval of the All-State Procedures Committee.

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Student Printed Name Signature Date

Student’s Mobile Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**FOR PARENTS**

I, the undersigned, have read this official 2021 NJMEA All-State Virtual Ensembles Student Contract, agree to its contents, and agree to support its enforcement. I, the parent/guardian, will permit my student to attend all rehearsals in their entirety during the event. If a violation of the General Expectations and Student Code of Conduct occurs, I understand that my student, their director, and myself will be notified, and that my student may be dismissed from the program and removed from the final performance recording.

I understand that NJMEA has sole discretion to make all decisions including, but not limited to, decisions regarding disciplinary matters and the final approval of students selected to perform. I give permission for a professional recording and production team to edit my student's video recordings for use in final video performance for NJMEA noncommercial use.

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Parent/Legal Guardian Printed Name Signature Date

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Parent/Legal Guardian Printed Name Signature Date

Parent’s Phone (Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s Phone (Secondary) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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