



Dear Colleagues,

2024-2025 IHSMA Rules and Regulations Booklet and Deadline Posters

A change from past practice: A 2024-2025 Rules and Regulations Booklet has been compiled and will be mailed to directors early next week along with the IHSMA Registration Deadlines poster. The Booklet contains guidance for all IHSMA Festivals for the year from the State Marching Band Festival through the State Large Group Festival. The Fall and Spring Bulletin will be posted online digitally at a later date. Fall site assignments for the State Marching Band Festival and All-State Auditions can be found on the IHSMA website under Festival Information and those two specific festivals at this time.

A link to the 2024-2025 IHSMA Rules and Regulations Booklet can be found here: <https://ihsma.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/COMPLETE-2024-2025-RULES-and-REGULATIONS-BOOKLET.pdf>

Are you a new director and/or in a new high school? Does your high school have a new director? Please follow this link or forward this link to your new colleague to complete the form: <https://forms.gle/fjUWx8ZkSY8MTk2V8>

Membership Information

Membership in the Iowa High School Music Association is reserved for eligible high schools approved by the Iowa Department of Education. If you receive this correspondence, you are eligible for membership. To become a member, you must simply complete the IHSMA Membership Form found on the General Information page by following this link: <https://ihsma.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/IHSMA-Membership-Form-24-25-Fillable.pdf>. Please ask your business office to submit the completed form with the payment of \$25.00. That payment must be postmarked by September 15. After September 15, the fee becomes \$37.50. Membership is not accepted after January 1. Membership must be paid prior to participating in any IHSMA activity.

Election/Nomination Information

Executive Committee: There will be one (1) position on the Executive Committee up for election this fall and three (3) positions on the District Advisory Group (South). Dr. Tony Aylsworth has completed his first term as Administrative Representative and is interested in running for a second term.

District Advisory Group: There are positions for the District Advisory Group

band or orchestra directors of member schools are eligible for the Instrumental Representative position, current superintendents or high school principals of member schools are eligible for the Administrative position and current high school vocal music directors of member schools are eligible for the Vocal Music Representative position.

Online Nomination instructions for these vacancies will be emailed to member schools on Friday, September 6, 2024. Nominations must be submitted online by 11:59 PM, Thursday, September 19, 2024. The top two candidates, plus ties, will be named as nominees for each position. The Official Ballots, with the qualified nominees' names printed thereon, will be available online to member schools on Friday, September 27, 2024. Those ballots must be completed online by 11:59 PM, Thursday, October 10, 2024. The newly elected members will assume duties upon notification of election by the Executive Director.

Thank you,
Thad K. Driskell, Executive Director
Iowa High School Music Association



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