

Orchestrating Success



in the Mountain State

President's Message

Dear Friends,

In an effort to reach everyone across the state of West Virginia, WVMEA, through a grass-roots effort, has collected nearly 600 music educator email addresses. WVMEA is committed to distributing needed and timely information and feels that a monthly newsletter is the answer in this digital age. Although we've collected a substantial number of addresses, we are asking for your help. Please forward this newsletter on to your colleagues who teach privately, those who serve in higher education, retired music teachers, instrument dealers, and those you think may have a vested interest in furthering music education.

'Etude', aptly named for being a short snapshot designed to provide you with timely and pertinent information will be delivered monthly to your inbox. You must be a member of NAFME, our parent organization in order to receive the newsletter. The preliminary issue is open to everyone regardless of membership status however, in order to continue to receiving 'Etude', please click [here](#) and enroll. Your email address will not be shared with any other entities. You can opt out of receiving the newsletter at any time.

If you have a newsworthy item and wish to share it with a statewide audience, please contact me at rkelving@k12.wv.us or Kathy Fox at kfox@k12.wv.us and we will be sure to share it in an upcoming issue.

Enjoy your first issue of 'Etude'!

Musically Yours,
Rachel Reynolds,
President



CHECK OUT NEW UPDATES TO THE WEBSITE

Sign in and register for the new chat feature on the website!

We are anticipating another great year with the WVASCC. The deadline to register was October 1.

Participating teachers should expect to receive their allotments via an email message by



APPLICATIONS DUE!

All State applications for both students and accompanists are due October 24th, 2014! Head to www.wvma.com for more details!



2015 All State Band Conductor

Dr. Emily Threinen

Emily Threinen serves as Director of Bands and Artistic Director of Winds and Brass at Temple University. She conducts the acclaimed Wind Symphony, guides

November 5.

<http://www.freewebs.com/wvascc/>



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the instrumental conducting program, instructs courses on wind repertory, advises graduate students and provides administrative leadership for all aspects of [Temple University Bands](#).

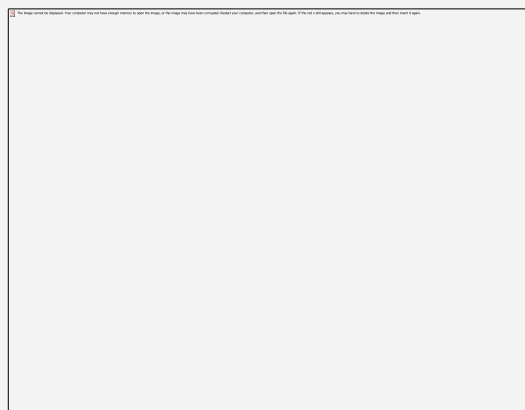
All-State band auditions will be held on Friday, January 9 at Farimont State University and on Saturday, January 10 at Capital High School in Charleston.

Audition requirements will be posted on October 1 on the WV All-State Band website. For more information go to <http://www.wvallstateband.com/>



2015 CHARLESTON IN-SERVICE

- The In-Service theme for this year is: Music: The Standard. Sessions will be focused on the new national standards and their implementation.
- Have an idea for a presentation/ clinic? Submit your idea! Click here: [session proposal](#).
- WVU will again be offering renewal credit,. Click the link for complete details: http://wvmea.tripod.com/2015_course_registration.htm



PHI BETA MU FALL CLINIC

The 2014 Phi Beta Mu Band Clinic will be held at The Waterfront Place Hotel in Morgantown on Monday, Nov.10 this year. As in the past there will be some outstanding morning clinicians to present hour long clinics, two each hour, from nine in the morning till noon. Clinicians scheduled so far include, Lou Casini, former Band Director of the famed Chester Junior High program, Brian Plitnik from WVU on trombone, Randy Brannon on teaching saxophone for the non-saxophonist, Brian Baldauff from West Liberty University on teaching mallet percussion for band directors and Cynthia Anderson, WVU, on oboe. The afternoon (1:30-4:00) will feature Don Wilcox, Emeritus Director of WVU, on "Getting Beyond The Notes", Mr. Wilcox will be using the PBM afternoon directors band as his demonstration ensemble. Head to www.wvallstateband.com for registration details.



2015 Hotel Rate Information

Reference the WVMEA room block. We have hundreds of rooms reserved for conference attendees, students and accompanying families. All folks connected to the conference **MUST** reserve under the WVMEA room block.

Hotel Name	Contact Information	Pricing
Embassy	304-347-8700	\$149.00
Mariott	304-345-6500	\$129.99
Sheraton	304-344-4092	\$109.00 - \$149.00
Best Western	304-345-9779	\$74.95

HONOR ENSEMBLE 2015

Planning on submitting a recording for consideration for the distinct title of **Honor Ensemble 2015**? The deadline for submissions is **Thursday, February 5 at 11:59 PM**. Check the website for a complete application.

SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR

Applications for Superintendent of the Year are posted on the website. This award is presented annually to administrators who support the need for comprehensive music education programs. See the application for complete details.

WVMEA HALL OF FAME

Help us find individuals who have distinguished themselves by making significant contributions to the field of music education. WVMEA honors Hall of Fame inductees annually. The application for this award is posted on the website.

ORFF WORKSHOP: MOUNTAIN LAUREL AOSA #118

"It's All About the Process: Keetman's Rhythmic Building Blocks" presented by Joshua Southard on Saturday, October 25, 2014 at Skyview Elementary School, Morgantown 9 AM-1 PM.

Explore the many possibilities and processes found in the Music for Children volumes and supplements! In this



FROM THE HILL, VIA NAfME

Representative Rosa L. DeLauro (CT-3) and House Democrats released their final FY 2015 appropriations bill, Labor-HHS-Education. For the second straight year, Republicans have elected not to introduce a Labor-HHS approps bill, of their own.

The Democrats' latest proposal largely focuses on removing remaining sequestration cuts, as opposed to the more aggressive funding of new programs or initiatives. Below, is the funding numbers from this latest proposal, which provides marginally larger increases than its Democratic Senate companion.

Please take a moment to review:

- Head Start: +\$271 million vs. +\$145 million
- Title I Grants to School Districts: +\$82 million vs. +\$50 million (music education implications)
- Teacher Quality State Grants: +\$117 million vs. Senate FREEZE (music education implications)
- IDEA Special Education State Grants: +\$65 million vs. +\$40 million (music education implications)
- Impact Aid: +\$2.6 million vs. Senate FREEZE (music education implications)
- 21st Century Community Learning Centers: +\$19 million vs. Senate FREEZE (music education implications)
- Indian Education: +\$6.8 million vs. Senate FREEZE (music education implications)
- Promise Neighborhoods: +\$3.1 million vs. Senate FREEZE
- MSI College Success Grants: +\$75 million vs. unfunded in Senate (music education implications)
- Rural Education: +\$5 million (music education implications)
- Preschool Development grants: FROZEN vs. Senate increase of \$100 million (music education implications)

*Note that all State Formula Grants are also proposed to be increased to pre-sequester levels

workshop, we will utilize Keetman's "Rhythmic Building Blocks" as our starting point and experience many different processes as we discover the countless possibilities found in the volumes! Come Sing, Say, Play, Move, and Create through the Schulwerk! For more information, visit <http://mountainlaurelaosa.blogspot.com/>

ALL-STATE ORCHESTRA

Middle and High School All-State Orchestra auditions will be held on Saturday, January 10 at Bridgeport High School. The registration deadline is Saturday, November 1.

Audition Day Schedule

9:00-Warm up area opens/check in

10:00-12:00-Auditions

12:00-1:00-Lunch

1:00-3:00-Auditions

Auditions will be held in 10 minute intervals. Students will sign up for a time upon arrival. Please plan accordingly.

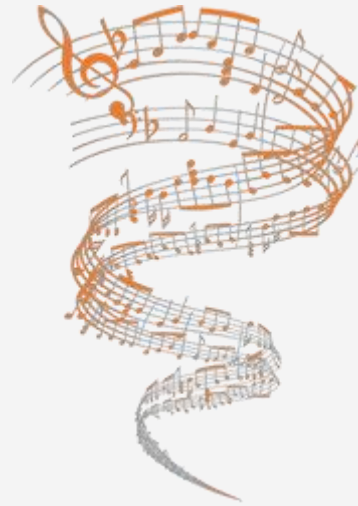
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<https://sites.google.com/site/westvirginiaallstateorchestra/>



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