



Missouri Music Educators Association

A Federated State Association of the National Association for Music Education

MMEA is excited to host our 84th Annual In-Service Workshop and Conference in-person this January. MMEA is actively monitoring health and safety guidelines and recommendations at the federal, state, and local level. As new best practices become available, we may update our policies and procedures regarding COVID-19 in relation to the MMEA 2022 Conference. We recognize that protocols in our districts across the state vary widely. The MMEA Executive Board, along with input from our affiliates, have taken all the variables into consideration and have decided to implement the following protocols:

Conference Participants

MMEA will encourage the following of conference participants, including registered attendees, MMEA staff, volunteers, and exhibitors:

1. Conference participants will be encouraged to wear a mask that covers the nose and mouth while indoors and while riding MMEA shuttle transportation.
2. Social distancing will be highly recommended. In areas where social distancing is not possible MMEA highly encourages wearing a mask that covers the nose and mouth.
3. Frequent hand washing and sanitizing is highly recommended.
4. Individuals should monitor their health closely and should stay home if experiencing COVID-related symptoms.
5. **For the safety of our students in our performing ensembles and to allow them the best opportunity for their most artistic, once-in-a-lifetime performance, concert attendees should wear a mask while in Paradise A and C. This will allow our students and directors the opportunity to follow their district policies while they perform. This will also allow us to continue to have the maximum seating in the salons. MMEA appreciates your cooperation in this matter.**

MMEA will continue to monitor local and state guidelines and will make changes to this policy as needed.

Members of the All-State Groups

Since the physical processes to produce sound are different for each discipline, each affiliate organization will communicate the expectations for All-State members for the conference.

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