



2024 State Band Contest Performance Schedule

Day (14)	Warm-Up	Performance	Class	Schools
Thurs, 4/18/2024	8:30 AM	9:00 AM	MS	Tres Volcanes Community Collaborative School
Thurs, 4/18/2024	9:00 AM	9:30 AM	MS	Gadsden Middle School
Thurs, 4/18/2024	9:30 AM	10:00 AM	MS	Heights Middle School Symphonic Band
Thurs, 4/18/2024	10:00 AM	10:30 AM	MS	Red Mountain Middle School Advanced Band
Thurs, 4/18/2024	10:30 AM	11:00 AM	MS	Jackson Middle School Symphonic Band
	11:00 AM	11:30 AM		
Thurs, 4/18/2024	11:30 AM	12:00 PM	MS	Eisenhower Middle School Symphonic Band
Thurs, 4/18/2024	12:00 PM	12:30 PM	MS	Tony Hillerman Middle School Thunder Symphonic Band
Thurs, 4/18/2024	12:30 PM	1:00 PM	MS	Picacho Middle School Advanced Band
Thurs, 4/18/2024	1:00 PM	1:30 PM	MS	Ruidoso Middle School Band
	1:30 PM	2:00 PM		
Thurs, 4/18/2024	2:00 PM	2:30 PM	MS	El Dorado Community School Symphonic Band
Thurs, 4/18/2024	2:30 PM	3:00 PM	MS	Vista Middle School Eagle Band
Thurs, 4/18/2024	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	MS	Camino Real Middle School Advanced Band
Thurs, 4/18/2024	3:30 PM	4:00 PM	MS	Valencia Middle School Jaguar Band
Thurs, 4/18/2024	4:00 PM	4:30 PM	MS	Los Alamos Middle School Symphonic Band

Awards Ceremony for MS to be held at approximately 5:10 PM

Day (10)	Warm-Up	Performance	Class	Schools
Friday, 4/19/2024	9:30 AM	10:00 AM	5A	La Cueva High School Wind Ensemble
Friday, 4/19/2024	10:00 AM	10:30 AM	5A	Santa Fe High School Wind Symphony
Friday, 4/19/2024	10:30 AM	11:00 AM	5A	Organ Mountain High School Wind Ensemble
Friday, 4/19/2024	11:00 AM	11:30 AM	5A	Clovis High School Wind Symphony
Friday, 4/19/2024	11:30 AM	12:00 PM	5A	Mayfield High School Wind Ensemble
	12:00 PM	12:30 PM		
Friday, 4/19/2024	12:30 PM	1:00 PM	5A	Centennial High School Wind Ensemble
Friday, 4/19/2024	1:00 PM	1:30 PM	5A	Farmington High School Symphonic Band
Friday, 4/19/2024	1:30 PM	2:00 PM	5A	Piedra Vista High School Concert Band
Friday, 4/19/2024	2:00 PM	2:30 PM	5A	V. Sue Cleveland High School Wind Symphony
Friday, 4/19/2024	2:30 PM	3:00 PM	5A	Volcano Vista High School Wind Ensemble

Awards Ceremony for Class 5A to be held at approximately 3:40 PM

Day (8)	Warm-Up	Performance	Class	Schools
Saturday, 4/20/2024	8:30 AM	9:00 AM	4A	Chaparral High School Concert Band
Saturday, 4/20/2024	9:00 AM	9:30 AM	4A	Lovington High School Symphonic Wind Ensemble
Saturday, 4/20/2024	9:30 AM	10:00 AM	4A	Los Alamos High School Wind Symphony
Saturday, 4/20/2024	10:00 AM	10:30 AM	4A	Deming High School Symphonic Band
Saturday, 4/20/2024	10:30 AM	11:00 AM	4A	Santa Teresa Concert Band

Awards Ceremony for Class 4A to be held at approximately 11:40 AM

Saturday, 4/20/2024	11:30 PM	12:00 PM	A-3A	Rehoboth Christian School Band
Saturday, 4/20/2024	12:00 PM	12:30 PM	A-3A	Ruidoso High School Band
Saturday, 4/20/2024	12:30 PM	1:00 PM	A-3A	Cimarron High School Wind Ensemble

Awards Ceremony for Class A-3A to be held at approximately 1:40 PM



Performing Ensembles by Classification

Middle School

Tres Volcanes Advanced Band

Director: Chandra Blackston

Music Selections:

Carpathia - William Owens

Swing Low Sweet Chariot - Jerry Nowak

Arabian Dances - Roland Barrett

Gadsden Middle School Symphonic Band

Director: John Scanlon

Music Selections:

Liturgical Fanfare - Robert W. Smith

Dance Celebration - Robert W. Smith

National Emblem - E.E. Bagley Arr. Sandy Feldstein

Heights Middle School Symphonic Band

Director: Cody Jackson

Music Selections:

Falcon Fanfare - Brian Balmages

The Seal Lullaby - Eric Whitacre, arr. Robert Ambrose

New Forest March by Johnnie Vinson

Red Mountain Middle School Advanced Band

Director: Johnny Lang

Music Selections:

Fanfare for Our Time - Tyler Grant

As Twilight Falls - Robert Sheldon

Japanes Pictures - Kevin Mixon

Jackson Middle Symphonic Band

Director: Stephen Snowden Jr

Music Selections:

Them Basses by Huffine arranged - Balent

All the Pretty Little Horses - Anne McGinty

Greek Folk Song Suite - Anne McGinty

Eisenhower Middle School Symphonic Band

Director: David Sorensen

Music Selections:

Flourish for Winds - Gary Fagan

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing - Standridge

American Riversongs - Pierre la Plante

Tony Hillerman Middle School Thunder Symphonic Band

Director: Alfredo Cordova

Music Selections:

Grand Galop - Johnnie Vinson

Waterdrops Come Spring - Richard Saucedo

Pines of the Appian Way - Ottorino Respighi, Arr. Mike Story

Picacho Middle School Advanced Band

Director: Michele Lang

Music Selections:

Anthem of An Era - Tyler S. Grant

Dancing Kites - Chris M. Bernotas

Gravitas - Larry Clark

Ruidoso Middle School Band

Director: Colin McAllister

Music Selections:

Plaza de Toros - Michael Story

Korean Hill Song - arr. Mark Williams

Pinnacle - Rob Grice

El Dorado Community School Advanced Band

Director: Robert Chrisman

Music Selections:

Down on the Delta - Carol Brittin Chambers
Down to the River - Arr. by Michael Sweeney
Skydive - Chris Bernotas

Vista Middle School Eagle Band

Director: Joshua Graves

Music Selections:

Contredanse - Larry Clark
Me (reAffirmation) - Randall Standridge
Mystic Chant - Jorge Vargas

Camino Real Middle School Advanced Band

Director: Brent Phelps

Music Selections:

Fleet Street March by Laura Estes
Rippling Watercolors by Brian Balmages
Black Forest Overture by Michael Sweeney

Valencia Middle School Jaguar Band

Director: Jose Martinez

Music Selections:

March from First Suite for Military Band - Gustav Holst arr. Michael Story
Colliding Visions - Brian Balmages
Armory - Randall D. Standridge

Los Alamos Middle School Symphonic Band

Director: Deanna Teague

Music Selections:

Spania - David Shaffer
Hypnotic Fireflies - Brian Balmages
Byzantine Dances - Carol Brittin Chambers

Class 5A

La Cueva High School Wind Ensemble

Director: Gabriel Velasco

Music Selections:

Amparito Roca Jaime Texidor Arr. Aubrey Winter
Song for Lyndsay Andrew Boysen Jr.
Vesuvius Frank Ticheli

Santa Fe High School Wind Symphony

Director: Cameron Wilson, Clarissa Riggins

Music Selections:

Flourish for Wind Band - R. Vaughan Williams
At Morning's First Light - David Gillingham
A Longford Legend - Robert Sheldon

Organ Mountain High School Wind Ensemble

Director: Shawn Silva, Jonathan Wheatley and Joshua Bryant

Music Selections:

March Winds by Clare Grundman
Africa: Ceremony, Song and Ritual by Robert W. Smith
Choose Joy by Randall D. Standridge

Clovis High School Wind Symphony

Director: Bill Allred, Mike Watts, Juan DeLeon

Music Selections:

Blue Shades - Ticheli
Nessun Dorma - Arranged by Merlin Patterson
Symphony no. 4 finale – Tchaikovsky

Mayfield High School Wind Ensemble

Director: Rod Pior

Music Selections:

Chasing Sunlight - Cait Nishimura
The Old Red Mill - Brant Karrick
Critical Mass - Todd Stalter

Centennial High School Wind Ensemble

Director: Philip Ramos & Karen Padilla

Music Selections:

Rough Riders - Karl L. King Arr. by James Swearingen
Down A Country Lane - Aaron Copland Arr. by Merlin Patterson
Tricycle - Andrew Boysen, Jr.

Farmington High School Symphonic Band

Director: Alexander Olivas

Music Selections:

Sound Off - John Philip Sousa
Appalachian Morning - Robert Sheldon
Havendance - David R. Holsinger

Piedra Vista High School Concert Band

Director: AJ Carson and Cody Jackson

Music Selections:

Cyrus the Great march - Karl L. King
A Fantasy on a Japanese Folk Song - Samuel Hazo
The Witch and the Saint - Steven Reineke

V. Sue Cleveland High School Wind Symphony

Director: Daniel Holmes

Music Selections:

Festivo - Edward Gregson
Perthshire Majesty - Samuel Hazo
Kaleidoscope Eyes - Katahj Copley

Volcano Vista High School Wind Ensemble

Director: Daniel Villanueva

Music Selections:

Nobles of the Mystic Shrine - John Philip Sousa
A Festival Prelude - Alfred Reed
Rippling Watercolors - Brian Balmages
J.S. Jig - Brant Kerrick

Class 4A

Chaparral High School Concert Band

Director: Eric Short

Music Selections:

Big Circus March - Robert Foster
Quintology - Richard Meyer
Joy - Frank Ticheli

Lovington High School Symphonic Wind Ensemble

Director: Melissa Rice

Music Selections:

West Highlands Sojourn - Robert Sheldon
1. Stow-on-the-Wold
2. Bradford Ballade
3. On Derwentwater
A Shaker Gift Song - Frank Ticheli
A Slavic Farewell - Agapkin ed. Bourgeois

Los Alamos High School Wind Symphony

Director: Zane Meek

Music Selections:

Viva - Jack Wilds
1861 - Jonathan Newman
Fantasy on "Yankee Doodle" - Mark Williams

Deming High School Symphonic Band

Director: Katie Poudrier and Virginia Chavez

Music Selections:

- Amparito Roca - Jaime Texidor/Aubrey Winter
- Some treasures are heavy with human tears - John Mackey
- The Star of Dreams - Robert W. Smith

Santa Teresa High School Diamond of the Desert Band

Director: Daniel Allen

Music Selections:

- His Honor March - Fillmore/Fennell
- Themes from Green Bushes - Grainger/Daehn
- A Longford Legend - Sheldon

Class A-3A

Rehoboth Christian School Band

Director: Kevin Zwiers, Anna Zwiers

Music Selections:

- Darklands March - Randall Standridge
- Prelude on a German Hymnsong - Matt Conaway
- Emblazoned - Brian Balmages

Ruidoso High School Concert Band

Director: Colin McAllister

Music Selections:

- Darklands March - Randall Standridge
- Hypnotic Fireflies - Brian Balmages
- Sketches of Canada - Arr Michael Story

Cimarron High School

Director: Laura Eberhardt

Music Selections:

- Escapada by David Moore
- Heaven's Light by Steven Reineke arr. Rob Romeyn
- The Cave You Fear by Michael Markowski

State Band Contest Thank-You's

The New Mexico Activities Association would like to thank the host of the 2023 State Band Contest, V. Sue Cleveland High School, and Rio Rancho Public Schools. We thank you for your willingness to work with us and to provide a wonderful venue for the State Band Contest participants in our state. A special thanks to:

- Keith Abrahamson**, Fine Arts/Theater Tech – Cleveland High School
- Scott Affentranger**, Principal – Cleveland High School
- Dr. Sue Cleveland**, Superintendent – Rio Rancho Public Schools
- Daniel Holmes**, Band Director – Cleveland High School
- Kurt Schmidt**, Director of Fine Arts for Rio Rancho Public Schools
- Neil Swapp**, Executive Director of New Mexico Music Educators Association

We would like to thank the Cleveland High School Band for serving as runners, ensemble escorts and stage crew for the contest. A special thank you to the Rio Rancho Convention and Visitors Bureau for their sponsorship of this event. This event would not be possible without all of you!

NMAA State Band Contest Past Champions

Year	Host	Class	Champions
2005	Los Lunas High School	1A/2A	Cloudcroft High School
		3A	Cobre High School
		4A	Ocate High School
		5A	Eldorado High School
		MH/JH	Rio Rancho Mid High
2006	Los Lunas High School	MS	Manzano Vista Middle School
		1A/2A	Cloudcroft High School
		3A	Cobre High School
		4A	Deming High School
		5A	Eldorado High School

2007	Cibola High School	MH/JH MS 1A/2A 3A 4A 5A	Yucca Junior High Madison Middle School Cimarron High School Cobre High School Kirtland Central High School Cibola High School
2008	Cibola High School	MH/JH MS 1A/2A 3A 4A 5A	Clovis 9th Grade Madison Middle School Cimarron High School Cobre High School Deming High School & Los Alamos High School (tie) Eldorado High School
2009	Los Lunas High School	MH/JH MS 1A/2A 3A 4A 5A	St. Michael's Junior High Manzano Vista Middle School Cimarron High School St. Michael's High School Los Alamos High School Oñate High School
2010	Los Lunas High School	MH/JH MS 1A/2A 3A 4A 5A	St. Michael's Junior High Eisenhower Middle School Cimarron High School Cobre High School Deming High School La Cueva High School
2011	Cleveland High School	MS A-AA AAA AAAA AAAAA	Manzano Vista Middle School Cimarron High School Cobre High School Los Alamos High School La Cueva High School
2012	Cleveland High School	MS A-AA AAA AAAA AAAAA	Eisenhower Middle School Cimarron High School Cobre High School Deming High School Sandia High School
2013	Cleveland High School	MS A-AA AAA AAAA AAAAA	Eisenhower Middle School Capitan High School & Rehoboth Christian School Cobre High School Deming High School Eldorado High School
2014	Atrisco Heritage Academy	MS A-AA AAA AAAA AAAAA	LBJ Middle School Cimarron High School Cobre High School Deming High School Clovis High School
2015	Cleveland High School	MS A-3A 4A 5A 6A	Eisenhower Middle School Cimarron High School Cobre High School Valencia High School Deming High School
2016	Cleveland High School	MS A-3A 4A 5A 6A	Eisenhower Middle School Rehoboth Christian School Cobre High School & Silver High School (tie) Centennial High School Deming High School
2017	Cleveland High School	MS A-3A 4A 5A 6A	Eisenhower High School Cloudcroft High School Silver High School Deming High School La Cueva High School

2018 Volcano Vista High School	MS	Gattis Middle School
2018 Cleveland High School	A-3A	Cimarron High School
	4A	Silver High School
	5A	Artesia High School
	6A	La Cueva High School
	MS	Eisenhower Middle School
2019 Cleveland High School	A-3A	Cimarron High School
	4A	Valencia High School
	5A	La Cueva High School
	MS	Eldorado Community School
2020 & 2021 Canceled due to pandemic	A-3A	Cimarron High School
	4A	Valencia High School
	5A	V. Sue Cleveland High School
	MS	Los Alamos Middle School
2022 Cleveland High School	A-3A	Cimarron High School
	4A	Santa Teresa High School
	5A	Volcano Vista High School
	MS	Los Alamos Middle School
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	MS	Los Alamos Middle School

Adjudicators' Biographies



Tom Stites (Kentucky), Thomas A. Stites recently retired as the Coordinator of Fine Arts for Owensboro Public Schools. During his time in Owensboro he led a dynamic growth in the fine arts program, ensuring every child had access to every art in every school. He was conductor of the Owensboro Youth Symphony Orchestra for twelve years and board member of the RiverPark Center. Previously Tom served thirty-one years as a high school band director with positions at Science Hill HS in Johnson City, TN, Marist School in Atlanta, GA, and Sylva-Webster HS in Sylva, NC. He holds degrees from Western Kentucky University and East Tennessee State University. He also served as music director and conductor of the Johnson City Symphony Orchestra.

His involvement in Kentucky arts education includes two years of work on College and Career

Pathways in the Arts for KDE, committees with the Arts Council, the creation of the Kentucky Arts Summit, hosted and led numerous arts professional developments with the Kennedy Center Partners in Education. He continues as an active adjudicator, clinician and speaker across the United States.

Concert highlights include performances at Carnegie Hall with the Owensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra, two concert bands in the New York Wind Band Festival at Carnegie Hall with Science Hill, the National Concert Band Festival in Indianapolis, IN, two performances at the Tennessee Music Educators Association state convention, and the National Adjudicators Invitational in Chattanooga, TN. National events include two appearances in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, two appearances in the Tournament of Roses Parade, the Hollywood Christmas Parade, the Orange Bowl Parade, the Festival of States, appearance on the "Today" show, and the Waikiki Holiday Parade.

He was recognized as a Kentucky Colonel (2023), chosen as the Kentucky Music Educators Administrator of the year (2013), named Science Hill HS Teacher of the year (2007), received the Johnson City Symphony Conductors Awards (1999), was chosen as one of the directors of the United States Army All-American Marching Band (2008), and served on the board of East Tennessee Band and Orchestra Association and TMEA.



Scott Carter (Texas), Scott M. Carter serves as Director of Bands at Frenship High School where he oversees the Frenship ISD band program. Mr. Carter conducts the Wind Ensemble, the Frenship Fine Arts Musicals, and is Director of the Tiger Marching Band. Bands under the direction of Mr. Carter consistently receive 1st division awards in UIL concert and sightreading evaluation and have participated in the UIL Texas State Marching Championships ten times.

Having served the Frenship ISD for 25 years, Mr. Carter has helped students and ensembles in the Frenship Band program place in the upper levels at regional and state competitions including national performances on National Public Radio's program "From the Top". Frenship has achieved recognition by placing at the state level of TMEA Honor Band competition, the national level of The Foundation for Music Education's "Mark of Excellence", and in 2022 made history as the first-ever UIL Texas State Champion of Instrumental Chamber Music. In addition to winning two NTCA State Championships in winter guard, Frenship has twice been named as one of the "Top 100 Districts for Music Education", and has performed across the nation in Florida, Missouri, Colorado, Texas, and Hawaii.

Originally from San Saba, Texas, Mr. Carter received his Bachelor of Music degree from Texas Tech University in 1999. While attending Texas Tech, he proudly served for two years as Drum Major of the nationally famous "Goin' Band from Raiderland", which in 1999, received the Sudler Intercollegiate Marching Trophy. Mr. Carter currently serves as Vice-President of TMEA Region 16 and is an active clinician & adjudicator throughout Texas. Mr. Carter holds memberships in Texas Music Educators Association, Texas Bandmasters Association, National Band Association, and is an alumnus of the national band fraternity Kappa Kappa Psi. He is currently pursuing a master's degree in music education from Texas Tech and loves to travel and spend time with his family. He and his wife, Tammy, have one son and one daughter, and reside in Lubbock, Texas.



Tye Ann Payne (Texas), is an active teacher, consultant, clinician, and adjudicator with over 40 years experience as a Texas band director. Before her retirement from public schools, Ms. Payne taught at Charles B. Cook Middle School and Jersey Village High School in the Cypress-Fairbanks ISD, Houston. She also taught at Westwood Junior High School in the Richardson ISD, Dallas. She began her career at Spring Forest Middle School in the Spring Branch ISD, Houston.

Ms. Payne is a graduate of the University of Houston and a proud student of Eddie Green. Her bands have received consistent superior ratings and honors at concert and sight-reading contests and festivals. During her tenure at Westwood Junior High School, Ms. Payne was awarded the prestigious Sudler Cup of Honor presented by the John Philip Sousa Foundation for outstanding achievements at the junior high level. Ms. Payne has been honored to serve her profession as a committee member for the UIL Prescribed Music List. She is a member of the Texas Bandmasters Association, the Texas Music Educators Association and the Texas Music Adjudicator's Association. She is also a member of Phi Beta Mu, a professional music fraternity that acknowledges excellence in teaching.

Ms. Payne is grateful to all who have made it possible for her to continue her profession after retirement. Ms. Payne believes that the importance of music education and performance in a child's development is unparalleled because of its powerful and everlasting impact upon our most human experiences.

