

2026 Elementary & Intermediate All-County Band Nominations

Hello WCSMA Band Directors!

We hope you all had a great start to the school year so far. Both WCSMA Band Coordinators, Katherine Filatov & Jenny Pyne are returning and we are very excited to organize the All-County Bands once again. Below you will find details about this year's nomination process. Please check wcsma.org frequently to stay updated on all developments during this All-County season.

1. Rehearsal and Concert Dates

- All rehearsals and performances will all take place at **White Plains High School**
- Rehearsal 1 will be on **February 11, 2026. (3:30 pm arrival, 4:00-7:00 rehearsal.)**
 - **Snow Date** is **February 12, 2026.**
- Rehearsal 2 will be on **March 3, 2026. (3:30 pm arrival, 4:00-7:00 rehearsal.)**
 - **Snow Date** is **March 5, 2026.**
- The concert will be on Saturday **March 7, 2026.**
 - Arrival for students will be **4:45pm**. We will rehearse from 5-6:30 pm and the concert will begin at **7pm**.
 - The **Snow Date** is **March 14, 2026.**
 - Please note, the All County Orchestra & Chorus Concerts are also scheduled for 3/7, but at earlier times of the day.

2. Nominations

Nominations will open this Friday, October 24th. Nominations will be submitted at [this link](#) through your WCSMA teacher portal. The deadline to submit nominations is **November 24, 2025.**

To nominate a student:

- Click **Nominate: All-County** near the top left underneath the Teacher Dashboard heading.
- Select the **division, ensemble,** and the **school building** your student attends.
 - Elementary Division: Current Grades 4-6
 - Intermediate Division: Current Grades 7-9
- Enter the remaining fields for each student, including **name, instrument, current grade in school, NYSSMA score from Spring 2025,** and any **comments** about the student that can support your nomination.

- Each nomination **must include** a **scanned copy** of the student's 2025 NYSSMA sheet.
- **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

You will be notified of a release date for 2026 All-County acceptances after the nomination window closes. We plan for a fast turn around window so that music can be distributed before Winter Recess.

We are looking forward to getting this festival underway and for all of our students to share in this wonderful performance opportunity! If you have any questions, please reach out to Katherine Filatov and/or Jenny Pyne. If your question is not resolved, please reach out to President Jon Riss.

Sincerely,

Katherine Filatov & Jenny Pyne

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