Dear Colleague:

I hope your concert band season is off to a great start! Enclosed are the application materials and information for our 2010 Cyclone Honor Band Festival. Please nominate your most deserving students to participate in this superb event. The exceptional conductors, combined with our clinics and ISU Wind Ensemble concert, will provide a truly first-class weekend for you and your students!

Here’s what you need to do to nominate your students:

1. Edit or complete the band director information in the middle of each entry form (for both the Gold and Cardinal Band forms).

2. Photocopy the Gold Band Entry Form for as many students as you’d like to nominate.

3. Photocopy the Cardinal Band Entry Form for students you wish to nominate – but do not nominate more than five students for the Cardinal Band.

4. For students whose names you are submitting for the Cardinal Band, please prioritize your nominations by numbering them. You’ll find a space for an application number in the upper right corner of the entry form. Should you nominate someone for the Gold Band, and they were not a member of the All-State Band, or perhaps sat lower in the All-State Band than other students placed into the Gold Band – and that person is not selected for our Gold Band, it is assumed that student is a higher priority than your first choice for the Cardinal Band.

Please do not ask us to allow your students to miss any part of their honor band rehearsals. However, if you have a student who is participating in the IHSA State Speech event, that student will likely be able to do both – as long as they request a special time to perform and they are at a nearby site. The IHSA will gladly accept your request, as we are also a school activity. However, know that they will not be able to move your speech students to a different site.

Thanks in advance for your support of this event. We are excited to be hosting this event and appreciate your support and participation. Please don’t hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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