

Louisiana Music Educators Association All-State Ensembles – Rules and Regulations

Rules and Regulations for participation in an LMEA All-State Ensemble:

- 1. Teachers are required to screen students who are discipline problems and not allowed them to audition.
- 2. Students are expected to follow their school's rules while at LMEA All-State.
- 3. Students must be present and on time for registration, all rehearsals, and any other scheduled events.
- 4. Students failing to adhere to their LMEA All-State schedule or the rules and regulations are subject to dismissal.
- 5. Students are responsible for their personal equipment and instruments, including any school instruments or other items checked out to them. LMEA will not assume responsibility for lost, damaged, or stolen equipment or instruments.
- 6. Any student who participates in any type of vandalism will be subject to immediate dismissal. The student and the school will be held responsible for damages.
- 7. Any student in possession of prescription drugs without a doctor's prescription, any illegal drugs or other illegal substances, including alcoholic beverages, or who consumes any of these will be subject to immediate dismissal. The parent, director, and administrator will be notified.
- 8. Students' teachers are required to be current LMEA members and to register for and be present at the All-State event and Professional Development Conference to ensure students are supervised/chaperoned when not in rehearsals or another scheduled All-State activity.
- 9. Students and parents are hereby notified that LMEA's authority and responsibility extends until a student is released to return home.

Consequences and procedures related to the violation of any rules:

- 1. The student's principal, director and parents will be immediately notified of any rule violation.
- 2. A disciplinary committee consisting of the Executive Director, the LMEA President, and the Band, Orchestra, Vocal or Jazz Ensemble Chairperson (as pertinent) shall review any disciplinary problems before dismissal from the All-State group is recommended.
- 3. Any student dismissed (sent home) from an All-State event will be prohibited from participating in any LMEA event for one (1) full year starting from the time of the dismissal.
- 4. Any school organization whose student (or students) must be dismissed from an LMEA All-State event will be placed on a one-year probation. If a student is dismissed within the probation period, that school organization will be prohibited from participating in LMEA All-State events the following year.
- 5. Any infraction and subsequent dismissal will be referred to the Executive Board for resolution and clarification.