



UTAH MUSIC  
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## Junior High/Middle School State Jazz Festival February 23, 2017 Requirements for Application & Participation

1. Please submit an ***unedited, unlabeled*** audio recording of the auditioning ensemble's performance.
  - Auditioning bands must submit **one swing chart**. Doubling of parts is allowed. There is no required music list, however it is recommended that music is grade II or higher. Improvisation is encouraged, but not required.
  - TWO conductors' scores must be included.
  - Recording must be made after Aug 31, 2016.
  - Recordings and Applications must be postmarked by January 13, 2017.
  - Digital recordings should be submitted on a Compact Disc.
2. Invitations will be issued by January 30<sup>th</sup> 2017 based on the merit of the audition recording, and as recommended by the selection committee. No more than one group may be invited per school unless there are unfilled spots. Each invited group must submit a **\$200.00** entry fee upon acceptance to the State Festival.
  - Schools who cannot travel may submit a recording for comments only and will still receive a plaque in recognition of their achievement.
  - The UMEA Junior High/Middle School State Jazz Festival Chairman reserves the right to schedule all Festival performances. Invited ensembles will be divided into blocks for performances. Ensembles are required to be present for their assigned block.
3. The application fee is **\$50**. This fee is non-refundable. The fee is designed to offset the costs of adjudicators' time, travel and evaluation. Each recording will receive brief comments from leading educators in the state of Utah. **Pay online via the UMEA website.**
4. All performers who contribute to the performance **MUST** be students in the ensemble's school. Special guest soloists who are not students are allowed, but may not perform on pieces for which they are not the guest soloist(s).
5. The ensemble director and a school official must authorize with their signatures approval of this application. By signing the application, the director and school official acknowledge that if invited to the event, the applying ensemble will participate and perform a concert not to exceed 30 minutes of music, inclusive of ensemble set changes. **Ensembles MUST also be able to stay for their assigned performance block which includes performances by at least two other groups.**
  - Ensembles submitting recordings for comments only do not need to have an administrator's approval.
6. The application and accompanying forms must be **postmarked by January 13, 2017**.

**Send to: Mountain Ridge Junior High School  
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