



February 1, 2026

Dear Colleague,

The 2026 Utah State University Junior High/Middle School Band Invitationals are scheduled for Wednesday, March 25 and Thursday, May 7, and we invite you and your band(s) to join us for the day. The March 25 Festival will function in our traditional format of professional adjudication as well as a recording of the performance.

The May 7 Clinic features an alternate format. The later date is after USU lets out for the semester, and the resulting availability of facilities allows the following: 1) an earlier starting time to allow more groups at prime morning times and 2) a separate clinic option that will allow each group to have a personalized rehearsal after their performance.

Perhaps convenience of dates will dictate the day you select, or you may lean toward the recorded comments option or the clinic option. You are welcome to come to both, available times permitting. We hope the clinic option allows us to better serve you and your students!!

Both festivals will take place in USU's Daines Concert Hall. The schedules this year are as follows:

| Middle School Festival: | Junior High Festival: |
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| Wednesday, March 25, 2026, 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM Daines Concert Hall, Chase Fine Arts Center Utah State University Logan, Utah \$75 entry | Thursday, May 7, 2026, 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM Daines Concert Hall, Chase Fine Arts Center Utah State University Logan, Utah \$100 entry |

If you are able to join us for either of these events, please complete the enclosed reservation form and return it along with the entrance fee of \$75.00 (March 25 Recorded Comments Option) or \$100.00 (May 7 Clinic Option) (check payable to **USU Music Department**), by March 1 (postmark). The fee will be used to pay adjudicators/clinicians and the recording technician. Please be aware that bands are accepted based on the postmark of their completed applications. The completed registration form should be mailed to the following:

Thomas P. Rohrer, Director of Bands
USU Junior High/Middle School Band Invitationals
Department of Music
Utah State University
Logan, Utah, 84322-4015

If you have any questions, please check our website (www.usu.edu/music/ensembles/band), call (435-797-3004), or E-mail (thomas.rohrer@usu.edu) for more information. We plan to have some of the finest young bands in the Western States perform at this event, and we hope we can include you in our plans.

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Rohrer, Ph.D.
Director of Bands