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Music Educators of Bergen County, Inc. announces auditions for the 2026/2027 Bergen County High School Chorus and Band. The Bergen County Chorus and Band have consistently displayed a high standard of musical excellence and have been an important annual event for many of the county's outstanding student musicians.

2026/2027 Bergen County Band and Chorus Festival Staff:
Nicole Doyle, Chorus Festival Coordinator
Tyler Adel, Band Festival Coordinator

2026/2027 Bergen County Chorus
Jonathan Mezaros, NVRHS at Old Tappan,
Conductor
Amy Wilcox, NVRHS at Old Tappan,
Hannah Park, Fort Lee HS
Co-Managers
Kyle Bennett, Dumont HS, Audition Chair

2026/2027 Bergen County Band
Brian Timmons, Bergenfield High School,
Conductor
Danielle Wheeler, NVRHS at Demarest,
Michael Lione, Fort Lee High School
Co-Managers
Amy Wilcox, NVRHS at Old Tappan,
Audition Chair

Please be aware of our attendance policy for students who successfully audition for the ensembles. **No absences of any kind will be allowed for any reason. Any absence will result in immediate removal from the ensemble.** Please be sure to check your schedule before applying to avoid uncomfortable and unnecessary situations.

As usual, the Band and Chorus Auditions will be held separately**.** Chorus Auditions will take place on Tuesday, October 27, 2026. Band Auditions will be on Tuesday, December 1, 2026. Both auditions will take place at 4:15PM at Mahwah High School with a directors meeting at 3:45pm. Please check the Director and Student Audition information for submission deadlines.

Directors must complete and submit the online Director Application Form, and then print it out for signature. Students must complete and submit the online Student Application Form, and then print it out. The application endorsements must then be signed appropriately. Both the Director Application and the Student Endorsements should be SCANNED and EMAILED to the Audition Chair. In addition, both the Director Application and the Student Endorsements accompanied by the appropriate audition fees should then be MAILED to the Audition Chair by Certified Mail in one package. Certified mail guarantees that the audition coordinator received applications**.** Specific instructions will be available when you submit the Director Application online.

Students should not submit applications online more than one time (for each audition). Please have all pertinent information – voice part, instrument, director info, etc. – and a working printer connected to your computer before submitting an application. **By following these procedures, you, the audition chairs, and the coordinator can help avoid potentially difficult situations.**

Students in your Music Department who wish to participate in both ensembles may do so. Students auditioning for both must be aware of the responsibilities and schedules of both ensembles. If a student chooses to audition for both ensembles and is selected for both, the student must participate fully in both ensembles. Failure to participate fully will result in the student being dropped from both groups. Please advise your students to apply/audition for the ensemble(s) best suited for them.

If you have any questions, you may contact:
Amy Wilcox (Band Auditions Chair) at 201-768-3200 ext. 24550 or wilcox@nvnet.org
Kyle Bennett (Choral Auditions Chair) at 201-387-3000 ext. 4805 or dbennett@dumontnj.org
Nicole Doyle (Choral Festival Coordinator) at 201 261-7800 ext. 4105 or ndoyle@paramusschools.org
Tyler Adel (Band Festival Coordinator) at 201 261-7800 ext. 3052 or tadel@paramuschools.org

Please download information and complete online forms as needed.