

IBA All-Region and All-District COVID Guidelines

Best Practices for Participants

- Bring personal hand sanitizer and/or wash hands frequently.
- Do not share equipment.
- Follow social distancing guidelines.
- Mask when not playing or eating
- Microfiber towel or disposable cloth must be used for emptying instrument condensation
- Students will be as distanced as possible on stage and in rehearsals
- Host school regulations must be followed

Best Practices for Parents

- Make sure student performers and immediate household members are free from illness before participating in rehearsal and the concert. If there is doubt, please stay home!

Best Practices for Hosts

- Seating chart with student names must be created and attendance taken
- Lunch seating should be recorded, either via a QR code or sign-in sheet and can be by school or with sections together
- Shared percussion instruments should be wiped down after use
- Host school contact tracing plan must be in place and communicated to IBA Secretary/Treasurer prior to the event

IBA is carefully monitoring the spread of COVID-19 in Indiana, and the guidelines for group activities provided by CDC and IDOH. We will adhere to school protocols for music activities in place at the host school at the time of the event.

At this point we are planning All-Region and All-District events which are comparable in size and scope to previous years, however, we will make adjustments if necessary to prioritize the health and safety of participants.

If significant changes are expected, we will provide an update when students are notified of their acceptance. Applicants and their families are advised that the scope, logistics, timeline are subject to change, and participants may be asked to provide documentation of vaccination or a negative COVID test just prior to the event.

In the worst-case scenario that we have to cancel an in person event, we are committed to recognizing those accepted for their accomplishment. Thank you for your patience during this extraordinary time.

As the science of COVID-19 continues to evolve, it is important to remain vigilant and nimble to respond to new developments. Students and their families, along with school personnel, must recognize these risks and implement best practices to reasonably mitigate these risks. Participation in IBA activities is voluntary and every individual will need to evaluate the risk versus the benefits of participation. Those immune-compromised students and educators, or those who live with family members with elevated health concerns, should evaluate associated risks of participation and may choose not to participate.