Indiana All-State Jazz Choir
June 29-30, 2020
Audition Information and Application
We will again be using “Opus Event” for our auditions and payments this year ...the same company that does the ACDA Central Division Honor Choirs Submission/Web-site.

WWW.OPUSEVENT.COM

All-audition songs/scales needed for the on-line submission can be found in this packet or online at www.in-acda.org.

All payments will need to be made via a credit card or debit card on the Opus Event site!

SUPER IMPORTANT!!!

*WHEN REGISTERING ON THE OPUSEVENT SITE....PLEASE have students put in an email address OTHER THAN THEIR SCHOOL EMAIL!
2020 INDIANA ALL STATE JAZZ CHOIR

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General Information: The All-State Jazz Choir will be held June, 29 & 30, 2020 during the Indiana Choral Directors Association summer conference held on the campus of the University of Indianapolis in Indianapolis. Students will rehearse, eat, and stay in the dorms at the university. We are excited to be presenting the final concert in the Christel DeHaan Fine Arts Center at the University of Indianapolis on Tuesday evening, June 30th at 7 p.m.

Eligibility Information: The Indiana All-State Jazz choir is open to all students who have completed at least one year of high school choir (summer after their Freshman year) through their senior year (seniors who have graduated are still eligible the summer after their graduation).

Fees: AUDITION FEES - $15 per student
ALL-STATE JAZZ CHOIR FEES (for those that make it) - $190 per student

SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING on the Opus Event site:

➢ Three Scales UNACCOMPANIED: (SEE PAGE 6)
  1) Major Scale on indicated starting note per voice part
  2) Chromatic Scale (any comfortable starting pitch)
  3) Blues Scale to be sung on swung eighth notes on syllables doo-vah.
      Approx. Tempo = 106  (any comfortable starting pitch)

➢ One Music Excerpt “Misty”: (SEE PAGE 7) May be sung accompanied or a cappella. Many jazz artists have recorded this selection. It is suggested that the student/teacher find a couple of recordings of each piece, listening to the artists’ renditions and sense of jazz style. The song MAY be transposed to a comfortable key. You may sing it with live accompaniment or a cappella. See Sample Judge Audition Adjudication Form for judging criteria. (If using accompaniment, the vocal line should NOT be doubled in the piano as much as possible!) Judging sheets will be returned upon request to the school’s director following auditions for the director and students to review. You may ad lib in jazz style as long as the melody is still recognizable.
*WHEN REGISTERING ON THE OPUSEVENT SITE....PLEASE put in an email address OTHER THAN THE STUDENT’S SCHOOL EMAIL!
(avoid emails getting filtered by SPAM!)

Deadline to upload auditions is Friday, March 27, 2020.
BIOGRAPHY

Cedric Carl Dent, a native of Detroit, Michigan, was a baritone vocalist, music arranger, and co-producer of the 10-time GRAMMY Award-winning vocal group, TAKE 6. In 2011, Dent retired from TAKE 6 after 25 years with the group. He is also a 2-time Grammy-nominated music arranger and created several arrangements for the Grammy-award winning recording Handel’s Messiah A Soulful Celebration (1992). In 2014, Dent rejoined TAKE 6 for their induction into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame in Nashville, TN.

A professor at MTSU, Dent directs the MTSU Singers (a vocal jazz ensemble), teaches a course he developed on the history of black gospel music, as well as undergraduate and graduate courses in music theory. He is also coordinator of the School of Music’s internship program for music industry majors. He continues to compose and arrange for various live and recording projects. His composition, “I Hear the Drum,” was premiered by the Nashville Symphony Orchestra and the MET Singers in 2016, and his arrangement of the Charlie Chaplin classic, “Smile,” was performed by the Oakwood University (Huntsville, AL) Aeolians at the American Choral Directors Association’s (ACDA) national conference in Kansas City, MO in 2019.

Dent holds degrees from the University of Michigan, the University of Alabama, and the University of Maryland. As an alumnus of the University of Michigan, Dent was selected to receive the 2016 Hall of Fame Award from the School of Music, Theatre & Dance Alumni Society.
TIME LINE OF EVENTS/PROCEDURES

1) **3/27/2020**: - Deadline to submit recordings on-line! (www.opusevent.com)

2) **4/15/2020**: Acceptance notifications will be emailed by **Wednesday, April 15** to both the students as well as their directors. **Students or their teachers MUST email Mrs. Buchanan or to accept their parts by April 22nd!!! buchananbr@clay.k12.in.us.**

3) **NO MUSIC WILL BE SENT UNTIL FEES ARE ALL PAID! (Due upon acceptance into the all-state choir). All fees are paid on-line at the www.opusevent.com website.**

4) **4/27/2020**: Learning Part MP3’s made and uploaded to web-site via Dropbox for students to download by April 27th. www.in-acda.org (click on the All State Jazz Choir link)

5) **Upon acceptance**: All-State Payment ($190 per student) DUE ASAP. Paid through the OPUS EVENT web-site. Only credit cards or debit cards may be used for payment. www.opusevent.com

6) All students should be learning the music throughout May and June, preferably working with their choral director or private voice teacher. There will be two or three rehearsals (one at Northview H.S. in Brazil, IN...about 1 hour west of Indianapolis) and one or two somewhere in the northern, southern, and/or central part of the state...TBD according to teacher availabilities in those schools to assist with rehearsals. Students are required to attend at least ONE of these rehearsals and welcome to attend any or all of them! Dates for these rehearsals will be sent to students and directors as soon as they are scheduled and confirmed.

7) **6/29- 6/30, 2020**: All State Jazz Choir Rehearsals and Final Performance held on the campus of University of Indianapolis. Specific time line of events will be included in the student’s acceptance packet. Students will stay in assigned rooms in an on-campus dormitory. Student must arrive on time and attend all rehearsals on Monday, June 29 and Tuesday, June 30 with the guest clinician, Cedric Dent, held in the Christel DeHaan Fine Arts Center at U of Indy. Students are expected to behave in a manner worthy of an All State Jazz Choir student and will not be allowed to leave campus during those two days. The dress rehearsal will be in the afternoon of Tuesday, June 30 with the final performance at 7 p.m. in the Christel DeHaan Auditorium. **The concert will be open to the public and FREE.**

8) **Also, ALL-STATE STUDENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO LEAVE CAMPUS AT ANY TIME DURING THOSE TWO DAYS!!!**
2020 Indiana All-State Jazz Technical Exercises

Starting Fitches for Major Scale
S1   S2   A1

Major Scale
Do in assigned key by voice part

Chromatic Scale
\( \text{j=106} \)
Do in a comfortable key

Blues Scale
\( \text{swing style j=106} \)
Do in a comfortable key
May be transposed into any key

Misty

Erroll Garner

Look at me, I’m as helpless as a kitten up a tree, and I feel like I’m clinging to a cloud. I can’t understand. I get misty just holding your hand. Walk my way and a thousand violins begin to play, or it might be the sound of your hellos, that music I hear, I get misty the moment you’re near. You can say that you’re leading me on, but it’s just what I want you to do. Don’t you notice how hopeless I am? I’m lost, that’s why I’m following you.

On my own would I wander thru this wonderland alone, never knowing my right foot from my left, my hat from my shoes. I’m too misty and too much in love.
# All State Jazz Choir Audition Adjudication Form

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**Scales Total (20) ______**  

**Solo (Misty)**  

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**Solo Total (80) ______**

**Grand Total ______/100**

Verified: __________

Comments:

Judge’s Signature: ____________________________
Indiana Choral Directors Association
2020 All-State Jazz Choir Medical Form

All-State Members...Please mail or scan and email to Mrs. Buchanan once you have
accepted your spot! buchananbr@clay.k12.in.us

This form is to be completed by the parent/legal guardian of the participant. Thank you for printing clearly.

Participant’s Name_________________________ Age _____

Participant’s Birth Date_______________________

Address ___________________________ City____________________ Zip________________

Comments, special problems, allergies, daily medications (over the counter and prescription – include dosage directions)
________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Parent/Legal Guardian’s Name_________________________ Phone # H (___) _____________

W# (___) __________Cell Phone # (___) _________________

Address (if different than above) ___________________________________________________________

Physician’s Name ___________________________ Physician’s Phone # (___) _______________

Name of Insurance Company _________________________________

Group or Policy Number __________

In case of emergency, please list the name and phone number of those people who should be contacted, in the order in which they should be contacted.

1._____________________________________________________________________________________

2._____________________________________________________________________________________

3._____________________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________ has my permission to receive medical attention in the event
of illness or medical emergency while participating in the ICDA All-State Jazz Choir weekend during the
period of ___________________________I will assume financial responsibility for any cost of health care for my
child that may occur while participating in the ICDA All-State Jazz Choir (rehearsals, performances, and
the overnight stay).

_____________________________________________________________________________________

Date Parent/Legal Guardian Signature
All-State Honor Jazz Choir Rules and Responsibilities

ICDA Policies:

- I must be a member of my school choir for the entire school year.
- I will attend at least one rehearsal, pay my $190 participation fee, and submit all required forms by email or snail mail to Mrs. Buchanan upon being notified of my acceptance.
- I will attend at least one of the scheduled rehearsals.
- I understand that it is my responsibility to master the music and that I will need to devote additional time to preparing the music beyond the rehearsal(s). I may utilize the rehearsal files found on the website.
- I understand that if I cannot participate in ASHC for whatever reason, there are no refunds.
- I will notify the area chair immediately if circumstances prevent me from participating in the choir.
- All-state honor choir information can be found at www.in-acda.org.

All-State Responsibilities:

- I will provide my own transportation to and from the All-State site.
- I will have a black folder and a pencil for rehearsal.
- I will be on time.
- I will provide my own attire to wear during the concert. (you will receive this information separately)
- I will attend 100% of the UIndy rehearsals June 29-30th.
- I will behave in a manner that befits the honor of participating in the choir and will treat others with respect.
- I will observe the 11:00 p.m. lights out rule.
- I will observe any additional rules that are presented to me when I arrive at UIndy.
- I will not leave the UIndy campus at any time on June 29-30th.
- I will not be allowed to drive my car on or off-campus during all state time on June 29-30th.

Rules for the Dorms:

- Students who do not follow the dorm rules will be sent home at their parent’s expense.
- Students who have been sent home are not eligible for future events.
- Students will not participate in illegal activities including drinking alcohol, smoking, vaping, or using drugs.
• Boys are not allowed to enter any girls’ room and girls are not allowed to enter any boys’ room.
• Socializing should be done in the public areas of the dorms, not including the hallways.
• Students will be in their rooms at 10:30 p.m. and chaperones will check for lights out at 11:00 p.m.
• Do not leave the room after lights out.

I understand and will abide by the ICDA All State Jazz Choir rules and responsibilities. If I fail to follow the rules I will be sent home at my parent’s expense.

_______________________________________________  ________________
Student Name  Date

_______________________________________________
School

I understand the ICDA All State Jazz Choir rules and responsibilities. If my child fails to follow the rules, he/she will be sent home at my expense.

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Parent Name  Date