

Information For Parents



1. Your teacher has been given a Wheaten College Campus Map. If you haven't been given that, please ask your teacher for a copy. These will also be available on Wheaten College's website.
2. Parking is located adjacent to Barrows Hall. Handicapped parking is at the rear of the building where there is a ramp to enter for your ease.
3. Arrive 15 minutes early and **report directly to your room.** That is where you will check in at the start of your class.
4. There are no Piano warm-up rooms. Vocal and String students may warm-up/tune in the Lounge area on the 2nd floor.
5. If you have changed your contest song, simply tell the Room Captain about the change when they collect your music.
6. Bring the original, clean music for the judge. If you have forgotten your String or Piano music, we **may** have a book to rent in the contest office. A good idea is to write your day, time, class, contestant number, and room number on the inside cover of your music. Remember, in order to receive a trophy, each student must have a clean, legible copy of the music with the measures numbered. Numbering of the first measure of each line is acceptable as are pre-numbered measures by the publisher. All solos need to be memorized.
7. Parents are only allowed to record their own child and NOT the entire class. You may also record the Award Presentation at the end of the class.
8. Every student will receive an award, either a trophy or a ribbon. Students will need to take their score sheet to the Award area on the 1st floor to pick up their trophy or ribbon. .
9. Feel free to sit in and listen to different classes. However, you may only enter or leave a competition room between students. There will be advanced piano classes in Barrows Auditorium (on the first floor across from the building entrance) which we invite you to attend. This is a great place to relax while you wait.
10. There are vending machines on the lower level. Also, Downtown Wheaten has many delightful restaurants if you want a bite to eat.
11. Please leave small children at home so they will not disrupt the classes. You will be asked to remove them if they are causing a disturbance to the contestants.
12. If you encounter any problems or have any questions, please go to the contest office, Room 130, and we will be happy to assist you.
13. If a child's time overlaps with another class they are entered in, or with a sibling, we can have a student play first or last in the group to make sure they will be able to perform in each event. If siblings have mistakenly been placed in the same class, your teacher should notify us so we can remedy the situation.
14. At this point in time, there will not be any Day or Time Changes. If a conflict has developed, you must decide which activity you would like to attend.

15. Changes because siblings' times are far apart will not be accepted. With 1300+ entries, there is no way we can check to make sure siblings' times are close together. Always set the entire day aside just in case.

16. Please stop by our T-Shirt and Merchandise tables. ALL proceeds go to the IMA Scholarship Foundation.

17. **Volunteers:** PLEASE, PLEASE!!! We are in desperate need of volunteers to assist at this year's contest. The number of volunteers needed to allow the contest to run smoothly is incredible. As always, many volunteers are needed on Friday for set-up. We also need 2 volunteers per room to assist the students and the judge, volunteers at the Trophy and Merchandise tables, and in the contest office. Hopefully, more students, parents, and teachers will volunteer and give back to this wonderful organization. Anyone who volunteers for a full day, Friday for set-up, Saturday, or Sunday, will receive a \$25 Gift Card as a Thank You. Volunteer forms are on our website or feel free to email us at: imacontestinfo@gmail.com. Many high school students need service hours. This is a wonderful way to acquire those. We're very worried that we will not receive the help needed to host this event.

18. **Winners' Recital:** For the 2ND time, the IMA will be hosting a Winners' Recital on Saturday, June 14nd. All 1st place winners as well as all Memorial participants will be invited to attend. This is a free event for both members and non-members. Information will be given out when picking up the 1st place trophy at the Trophy table. Space is limited so reserve your place and time ASAP!

19. **Fun Fest:** The IMA will be hosting this summer, the 1st Fun Fest Video Solo Competition. Pick up a flyer at the contest for more information.

20. If you have any questions prior to the competition, please ask your teacher. If they don't have the answer, they may contact us. ***We will not respond to individual parent inquiries.***

**Thank you for participating in the
Illinois Music Association 64th Annual State Olympic Competition.**

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