



## **Band, Choral and String Festivals**

### **NEW Addition this year for 2025 – String Festival!**

Each year, WMA Fine Arts Competition offers band and choral festival performances in the evening awards ceremony. **New this year will be the addition of a string performance.** High school students in grades 7-12 are invited to take advantage of these unique, one-hour festival workshops lead by skilled guest conductors from 4:00 – 5:00 in the afternoon of the competition. The festival band, choir, **and strings** will be performing in the closing ceremony at **6:30 PM**, along with the Best of Show from several competition categories. All competition winners are announced and awards are given in the evening awards ceremony.

Choral directors, teachers, and/or parents will need to order adequate quantities for their students. In order to receive the benefit of this band/choral/strings experience, it is the student's responsibility to learn the piece prior to the festival rehearsal. Memorization is not required. **Students may participate in only one festival.**

A group or individual does not have to compete in order to participate in the festival; likewise, a group or individual that does compete does not have to participate in the festival, although it is strongly encouraged in order to experience the full day of competition. The fee for the festival is **\$5** for each participant. Please be sure to indicate participation on the registration forms.

The evening awards ceremony is open to the public and is free of charge.

For the convenience of choral students and directors, the festival music link is provided here as well as on the website.

**Link for Band Music:** “The Invincible Warrior” by David Shaffer  
(JW Pepper / search 2396778)

<https://www.jwpepper.com/sheet music/search.jsp?setStickyDepartment=true&suggested=&keywords=2396778>

**Link for Choral Music:** “For the Beauty of the Earth” (SATB) by John Rutter

<https://www.sheetmusicplus.com/en/explore?q=OU.9780193405721>

**Link for Strings Music:** “King William’s March” by Jeremiah Clarke

<https://www.jwpepper.com/King-William%27s-March/10095970.item>

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