

TO: Collegiate NYSSMA Advisors and Chapters

FROM: Dr. Keith Koster, State Collegiate NYSSMA Advisor
Emma Uruburu, NYSSMA State Collegiate President

MEMO: Greetings & Information for Fall 2022

On behalf of NYSSMA, we would like to extend to you and your students greetings and best wishes for a successful 2022-2023 academic year.

Here are a few updates:

- NYSSMA has been working very hard these past several months in preparation for a new and different academic year, hopefully post-COVID.
- Your State Executive Board has been working tirelessly this past summer. **Make sure to check out the following:**
 - **Updated** collegiate webpage (Thank you to Mr. Nigrelli, our webeditor!)
 - www.nyssma.org and click the Collegiate Tab
 - **Handbook** for your Collegiate Chapter
 - **Updated social media links** for chapters, websites, etc.

Please find enclosed the following information:

- Welcome letter and contact information for your State Collegiate Officers.
 - *Please pass or duplicate and distribute this letter to your collegiate chapter officers and members.*
- 2022-2023 Collegiate membership registration instructions
 - *Students can join or renew by locating the “Membership” link on **either one** of the following websites:*

National Association for Music Education (NAfME)

For membership: <https://nafme.org/membership/>

OR

New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA)

For membership: www.nyssma.org

COST to join or renew: **\$41.00**

Covers both state and national dues.

If you are contacted by any one of our Province Representatives requesting information about your chapter, **please respond**. It will only take a moment of your time. They gather information to report to collegiate membership at NYSSMA Executive council meetings. Help make their positions rewarding, valued, and fulfilling. If you don't feel that you have the time to respond, pass that request on to your collegiate chapter officers or another responsible student member. Thank you.

Should you need any assistance in getting your chapter members to attend in-services and conferences scheduled this year or if you need any suggestions about how to establish or maintain an active chapter, please feel free to contact our State Collegiate officers:

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#261 Hartwick College (Meghan K. Sheehy, Advisor)

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#504 Aaron Copland School of Music, CUNY Queens College
(Claudia Cali, Advisor)

#1276 CUNY York College (Mark Adams, Advisor)

#975 Hunter College (Victor Bobetsky, Advisor)

#1174 Mannes College of Music

#22 New York University (Jason Thompson, Advisor)

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#1133 Molloy College (Michelle Rampal, Advisor)

#730 Nassau Community College (Garry Ouellette, Advisor)

By all means, let us know as well. We would be delighted to visit your campus **virtually** and visit with your collegiate members or arrange for state collegiate officers to be present. We can be reached by texting or calling [Dr. Koster: 717-515-5502; kkoster8@naz.edu OR Emma Uruburu: 315-887-0010; collpres@nyssma.org]. If you notice any inaccuracies in what we have listed above, please contact me so that we can update our records.

We wish you a very successful school year and hope to see you and your students at the Winter Conference in Rochester, the Eastern Regional NAFME Conference in Rochester, or in Albany, NY next summer during the 2023 NYSSMA Summer Conference.

With best wishes,

Keith and Emma

NAFME Collegiate New York State Advisor & NYSSMA State Collegiate President

Make sure to nominate your chapter and/or individual students for a NAFME National Award;

Here's how!!

For more information, visit the NAFME Collegiate link: *Click [here](#).*

Criteria for Chapter of Excellence or Professional Achievement Award (for a student): Click [here](#).

Chapter of Excellence Application: Click [here](#).

Criteria for the Professional Achievement Award (for a student): Click [here](#).

Please share & post
Renew Your C-NAfME/NYSSMA Membership¹
Online: Here's how!

Adrianna Massaro, Collegiate NYSSMA State Secretary & Treasurer

Any Questions? E-mail Adrianna at:

amassar8@mail.naz.edu

1. Go to www.nafme.org
2. Click on the Join/Renew tab link (located on the top right-hand side).
3. Click Renew
4. Enter your e-mail address²
5. Enter your Password
6. A screen will open with options to check out your information.
7. Make sure to update or double check all information, especially your addresses so that documents and newsletters arrive at the proper place.
8. Once you have updated your information, click "Next".
9. Click "memberships/print membership confirmation" on the left hand side.

¹ Your dues are for your joint membership to NYSSMA at the state level and NAFME at the national level. So, you will belong to **both** organizations. Make sure to add these memberships to your resume. You could also renew your membership on www.nyssma.org with a very similar procedure *rather* than doing this on the NAFME website.

² Enter the e-mail address that you use on the NAFME website. The one that you receive NAFME emails from.

10. Scroll down to your most recent membership box and click “renew” on the top right hand corner.
 11. Then, select “Collegiate” membership and choose your Collegiate State.
 12. Input your college into the college selection box on the next page.
 13. If you wish, you can choose between two subscriptions to music journals offered at a special price for NAFME members. You may also choose to *make a donation*.
 14. Once you click “Checkout”, your total cost will be displayed. If you just chose a basic renewal of membership and no additional items, your total should be \$41.00.
 15. Enter your credit card or payment information below that.
 16. Click the blue “Submit and process credit card payment” at the bottom right of the page.
 17. Confirm and finish - You should receive an email acknowledging your renewal. Congrats! You are good to go.
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Important C-NYSSMA/NAfME Dates 2022-2023

Mark your Calendars!

Join or Renew your Membership

Complete your chapter Membership Drive by getting students to join or renew their memberships at www.nyssma.org OR www.nafme.org [See instructions on previous pages.]

NOTE: While students can join at any time throughout the year, we do encourage students to make an early commitment to professional membership.

September 12 – 16, 2022

NAfME Collegiate Kick Off Week

- **Monday, September 12 – Musical Monday**

Share chapter music activities and achievements on social media platforms.

- **Tuesday, September 13 – Service Tuesday – NAFME Division Focus**
Engage in acts of service or highlight previous chapter activities while connecting to other division chapters.
- **Wednesday, September 14 – Advocacy Wednesday – MEA State Focus**
Plan advocacy events to support music education in your state and make connections to chapters and MEA officers within your state.
- **Thursday, September 15 – Professional Development Thursday**
Highlight chapter professional development hosting and attendance on social media
- **Friday, September 16 – Chapter Recruitment Friday**
Share your chapter enthusiasm with other music education majors and celebrate your chapter recruitment activities on social media.

For more information click the Collegiate Tab at www.nafme.org

September 19 – 23, 2022

NAfME Virtual Hill Week

For more information, click [here](#).

November 2 – 6, 2022

Music Research and Teacher Education Conference, Pre-K-12 National Conference, All-National Honor Ensembles

The 2022 NAfME National Conference will take place at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center in National Harbor, Maryland, near Washington, D.C.

To register, click [here](#).

#NAfME2022

bit.ly/NAfME2022

December 1 – 4, 2022

NYSSMA Winter Conference (In-person)

NYSSMA/NAfME members can attend the Winter Conference at the Rochester Convention Center in Rochester, NY. Collegiate sessions will be presented as well as the Annual Business Meeting and Dinner for Collegiate Members. For more information, go to **www.nyssma.org**

Collegiate Sessions at the Winter Conference

- **Thursday, December 1**

7:00 p.m. “Taking the Extra Step: Getting the most out of your student teaching experience”

● **Friday, December 2 “NYSSMA Collegiate Day”**

8:15 a.m. “Bias-Free PreK-12 + Classroom”

9:30 a.m. “Let’s Get This Party Started: Getting the teaching job of your dreams”

10:45 a.m. “Everything I Need to Know I Learned in Student Teaching: Powerful advice for the soon-to-be or new music educator”

1:15 p.m. “Beginning Music teachers As Critical Place Makers”

2:30 p.m. “Ten Re-Do’s from First Ten Years”

6:00 p.m. Collegiate Business Meeting and Dinner

7:00 p.m. “Monetizing Your Music: A young person’s guide to networking, learning from and surviving in the music industry”

● **Saturday, December 3**

9:30 a.m. “Communciation: The keys to success”

March 1 - 31, 2023

Music in Our Schools Month (MIOSM)

*PRACTICE-A-THON EVENT www.hcpracticeathon.com; Contact your Province Rep for more information. Stay tuned for a **cash winning opportunity** for your chapter during MIOSM. State Collegiate President, Emma Uruburu will provide more details at the Collegiate Business Meeting at the 2022 Winter Conference in Rochester!*

March 6, 2023

Joseph Sugar Day in Albany, NY (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)

NYSSMA members as well as collegiate students meet with State Legislators to promote music education, arts education. It's also the 50th celebration of New York Music Education in the Capitol Building. For more information, email Mr. Alan Orloff (NYSSMA Government Relations Chair): grc@nyssma.org For more information, click [here](#).

March 25, 2022

Deadline to run for State Office

Deadline to run for State Executive Board; To complete an application for state leadership, click https://naz.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_dn9WtETrognQvCm OR email Dr. Koster for to receive the application link (kkoster8@naz.edu).

April 1 - 8, 2023

State Office Elections (E-ballot)

Annual E-Elections for State Executive Board; *Terms run from May 1 to May 1*; NOTE: Each collegiate chapter advisor will be sent a secure link to the ballot. Send the link to your student members so that they can vote. VOTING ENDS ON APRIL 8, 2023 at midnight. Results will be announced on April 15, 2023.

April 13 – 16, 2023

Eastern NAFME Conference

The biennial meeting of the Eastern Division will take place in Rochester, NY. Go to www.nyssma.org for more information.

June 2023

NAFME Collegiate Summit, Washington DC

For more information, E-mail Mr. Alan Orloff (NYSSMA Government Relations Chair)

grc@nyssma.org OR check out the following link:

<https://nafme.org/advocacy/nafme-collegiate-advocacy-summit/>

August, 2023

NYSSMA Summer Conference, Albany, NY

WHERE: Hilton Albany Hotel, 40 Lodge Street, Albany, NY 12207;

For more information: www.nyssma.org

IMPROVING COMMUNICATION

BETWEEN CHAPTERS??

HERE'S HOW!

Visit www.nyssma.org & check out social media links for all of our collegiate chapters. Click the Collegiate tab and check out the new layout.

Follow us!

State C-NYSSMA/NAfME Links

Facebook Group: [NYSSMA-Collegiate](#)

Facebook Page: [NYSSMA-Collegiate](#)

Instagram: [@collegiatenyssma](#)

Gmail: nafmecollegiateny@gmail.com

Website: <https://www.nyssma.org/collegiate-nyssma/>

Ideas for your Chapter Meetings and Events for the Year

- Once you join or renew your Collegiate Membership, add the following to your e-mail signature: *Member, Collegiate NYSSMA/NAfME*
- Once you join or renew your Collegiate Membership, post a picture on social media indicating that you're a member of Collegiate NYSSMA/NAfME.

- Promote a Collegiate NAFME-NYSSMA drive at your school. Be prepared to speak about the value of membership in our largest music organization for music educators! Use the promotional materials that were sent to your Chapter Collegiate Advisor.
- Reach out to area high schools to establish partnerships with an area Tri-M Chapter. If area schools don't have a Tri-M Chapter, assist the Music Teachers there in establishing one.
- Invite Tri-M students to your meetings, attend theirs and consider joint-sponsored events (guest speakers, service activities, Music In Our Schools Month (MIOSM) events, etc.
- Create social media accounts for your Chapter; Follow other collegiate chapters; Create a collegiate chapter website which can serve as the primary source for all things Collegiate NYSSMA/NAfME
- Need a meeting agenda item? Lead your chapter members in a walk-through of the NAFME website, noting special events and opportunities for collegiate members.
- Consider a meeting where members watch an NAFME Academy Webinar OR other online podcast brought to you by NAFME.
- Collaborate with other Collegiate Chapters in your Province. Reach out to your Province Representative to assist.
- Make plans to establish the Harry Chapin Practice-A-Thon event on your campus. This would be a wonderful activity for Music In Our Schools Month (MIOSM).
- Invite a state collegiate officer OR Dr. Koster to attend your next collegiate chapter meeting. State officers and Dr. Koster can assist you with just about any aspect of your chapter.

- Promote events mentioned in the Fall and Spring Newsletters that your Chapter Advisor receives. (NOTE: Make sure that your Chapter Advisor circulates each newsletter with you.)
- Host a Mini-Afternoon Province Conference: Invite state officers, area NYSSMA members, and students from your Province. NOTE: Coordinating this kind of event is always good practice should your chapter want to host a state collegiate conference in the future!!
- Need a road trip? Consider a trip to Washington DC with a visit to NAFME headquarters in Reston,VA.
- Host a student teaching panel with student teachers from your school.
- Invite area teachers to speak at an upcoming meeting.
- Invite area music vendors to speak at an upcoming meeting.
- Invite area music supervisors to a meeting and present a session about the job interviewing, hiring processes.
- Host a Music Education Alumni Recital and Reception event. It's a great way to connect with former graduates and current teachers from your school.
- Don't see the conference sessions that you would like to see at a conference? Reach out to presenters, teachers, etc., and encourage them to submit conference session proposals for future conferences. The process is easy! Information about conference session proposals can be found at www.nyssma.org OR e-mail Dr. Koster (kkoster8@naz.edu)

Interested in running for State Office?

To complete an application for state leadership, review the information below and click any of the hyperlinks.

State President-Elect: Information about the position, click [here](#).

State Secretary-Treasurer: Information about the position, click [here](#).

State Web Editor: Information about the position, click [here](#).

State Province Representative: Information about the position, click [here](#).

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