

# 2026 CIRCLE THE STATE WITH SONG

## Elementary & Middle/Junior High Information

### DEADLINE FOR CSWS REGISTRATIONS AND CSWS FINANCIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS:

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2025**

More information can be found at <https://circlethestate.imeamusic.org/>

**WHAT:** Indiana Music Education Association-sponsored Children's Choral Festivals at 12 sites around the state.

- Students sing under the direction of a highly qualified conductor.
- Elementary: Grades 4, 5, and 6.
- Middle School: Grades 6, 7, and 8.

**HOW:** Register online at <https://forms.imeamusic.org/csws/>.

- Please send balanced voicings. Registrations may be rejected if registration indicates unbalanced voicings.
- MIDDLE SCHOOL: if you are only able to register Soprano/Alto, please contact your coordinator for information on your site's Tenor/Baritone/Bass numbers.
- PRIVATE STUDIO/COMMUNITY CHOIRS: Teachers of private studios/community choirs may register students only if that student's school does not participate in Circle the State With Song. The name of the school where the student is currently enrolled MUST be identified during the registration process.

**WHERE:** Site information is available at <https://circlethestate.imeamusic.org/>.

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

##### Students must -

- Sing on pitch consistently
- Maintain a voice part independently
- LEARN AND MEMORIZE music PRIOR to the festival date
- Exhibit self-discipline

##### Teachers must -

- Provide music for students
- Facilitate in learning of music PRIOR to the festival date
- Accompany their students at the festival
- Provide one chaperone per 10 students
- Facilitate rehearsals, performances, and teacher tasks provided by the coordinator

#### COST:

- Registration Fee – \$30.00 (NON-REFUNDABLE) **DEADLINE: December 10, 2025**
- Financial aid scholarships are available. (See the Circle the State With Song Website, or follow this direct link: <https://circlethestate.imeamusic.org/csws-scholarship-request-form>.) **DEADLINE: December 10, 2025**
- Entries should include:
  - Registration form
  - One school check for ALL entries, made out to **Indiana Music Education Association** for the full amount.

#### TICKETS:

- Tickets – two complimentary tickets for each student may be printed by the teacher on the last page of the online registration process.
- More ticket information will come from the area coordinator.

#### QUESTIONS?

- Contact your area coordinator (find information regarding your area coordinator at <https://circlethestate.imeamusic.org/area-chairs-staff>)
- Contact State Chair, Christina Huff at [chuff@marion.k12.in.us](mailto:chuff@marion.k12.in.us), or (765) 674-6917 ext. 6110.
- Call the IMEA Office at (317) 342-4100.

**SEND YOUR PRINTED, ELECTRONIC CIRCLE THE STATE REGISTRATION  
FORM & PAYMENT VIA USPS DIRECTLY TO THE IMEA OFFICE:**

Indiana Music Education Assn.  
PO Box 30558  
Indianapolis, IN 46230

**Repertoire for the 2026 IMEA Elementary & Middle School Circle the State With Song Festivals**  
All festival music may be purchased from your favorite music supplier.

**2026 Elementary CSWS Repertoire**

*Reach For Your Star*  
Leeann Starkey  
ICCPH  
SA

*Haida*  
Henry Leck  
Colla Voce Music  
Unison

*Woodchuck*  
Mark Burrows  
Heritage Music Press  
2-Part

*Goliath*  
Joseph M. Martin  
Fred Bock Music  
2-Part

*Shenandoah*  
Amy Branson Fata  
ICCPH  
2-Part

*You Will Be Found (combined piece)*  
arr. Mac Huff  
Hal Leonard  
\*SSA or SAB

\*(Check with your Area Coordinator to see what voicing your Area is using for combined piece.)\*

**2026 Middle School CSWS Repertoire**

*Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel*  
Roger Emerson  
Hal Leonard  
SAB

*The Cuckoo*  
Robert Hugh  
Hal Leonard  
SAB

*El Vito*  
Greg Gilpin  
Alfred Music Publishing  
3-Part Mixed

*Ubi Caritas*  
Victor C. Johnson  
Choristers Guild  
3-Part Mixed

*Come In From the Firefly Darkness*  
Amy F. Bernon  
Heritage Music Press  
3-Part Mixed

*You Will Be Found (combined piece)*  
arr. Mac Huff  
Hal Leonard  
SAB