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8th Annual Indianapolis School Music Festival to be held at Arsenal Tech This March

INDIANAPOLIS, IN – February 25, 2025 – Instrumental and choral ensembles from local Indianapolis schools are coming together for three full days of music making. The 8th annual Indianapolis School Music Festival begins on Wednesday, March 5 and runs through Friday, March 7 at Arsenal Tech High School.

Supported by Music for All, students from IPS and schools in surrounding rural communities receive the opportunity to perform at no cost, receive feedback, participate in post-performance clinics led by Music for All clinicians, and watch performances by their peers. The Indianapolis School Music Festival performances are also free to the public.

The 34 ensembles that will be participating include concert bands, orchestras, jazz bands, percussion ensembles, and choirs.

The schools participating are:

- Arsenal Tech H.S.
- Broad Ripple M.S.
- Crispus Attucks H.S.
- Daleville Junior/Senior H.S.
- Edison School of the Arts
- George Washington H.S.
- Harshman M.S.
- Richmond H.S.
- Shortridge H.S.
- William Penn M.S.

The Indianapolis School Music Festival is an integral component of Music for All’s partnership with Indianapolis Public Schools and furthers the mission to create, provide, and expand positively life-changing experiences through music.

“We are honored to present the Indianapolis School Music Festival for the 8th year,” says Debbie Asbill, Acting CEO and Executive VP, Marketing and Communications. “It is an invaluable opportunity for our local students and directors to perform and hone their craft. Music is a universal language – one that breaks barriers, builds bridges, and nurtures the soul. We are privileged to set the stage for our community to help make this world a better place.”

This festival is held one week before the Music for All National Festival, presented by Yamaha, where 59 ensembles representing 16 states from across the nation will gather and perform in downtown Indianapolis. For more information visit festival.musicforall.org

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About Music for All

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Music for All's efforts are supported by national presenting sponsor Yamaha Corporation of America and its family of sponsors, strategic partners, and grantors.

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