

# Washington Solo and Ensemble Contest



## Proposed Rule Changes 2020 Contests



Following are the proposed rule changes for 2020 regional and state solo and ensemble contests. The proposals will be discussed and voted on at the November 2018 WMEA Board meeting. As per our rule change process, proposals can be accepted, amended or rejected. Those which are finally approved will go to the WIAA Executive Board for concurrence, amendment (which then come back for concurrence) or rejection. Teacher input for WMEA Board consideration is welcome. Email to [rulechange@wmea.org](mailto:rulechange@wmea.org) by October 10, 2018.

Proposed new text or text to be eliminated is *underlined and italicized*.

### *Proposal Number 1*

*Add language to rule 1.3 to read as follows*

- 1.3 All members of an ensemble must be from the same school. *If at any time an ensemble member is no longer attending that school, that ensemble member is no longer eligible.*

PROPOSED BY: Bruce Gutgesell

RATIONALE: This is not a rule change, rather just adds clearer definition of intent.

### *Proposal Number 2*

*Eliminate language in Rule 1.6.11*

- 1.6.11 *Small ensemble personnel must be the same as those who qualified at the regional event. If any participants are unable to be at state, the ensemble may not participate.* An *large* ensemble may participate with fewer students than participated at the regional level as long as the new size does not change the ensemble category or division and each individual student participates in the same category as he/she qualified (no substitutions allowed).

PROPOSED BY: Matthew Cole

RATIONALE: Our current rule penalizes small ensembles that lose a member between the region and state contest, prohibiting participation. I believe small ensembles should be treated the same as large ensembles allowing participation with fewer members as long as the category and/or division do not change.

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### ***Proposal Number 3***

*Add new rule 2.6.4*

*2.6.4 If a state qualifying soloist moves to a school outside the region they qualified from, they are no longer eligible for the state contest.*

PROPOSED BY: Bruce Gutgesell

RATIONALE: This simply adds in writing our current intent and practice, based upon interpretation of WIAA Handbook language.

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