



## National Band Association Student Chapters Guidelines and Suggestions

The National Band Association (NBA) welcomes and encourages its student members to be an active part of the ongoing mission of the organization. We encourage NBA student chapters to regularly meet with their peers, invite accomplished guest speakers for events, and be involved in the advancement of bands across the world. We look forward to the positive contributions of our student members and welcome any input you have about how we can better serve pre-service teachers as an organization. For additional information, please contact the current NBA College/University Representative on the Board of Directors.

NBA student members at a college or university are encouraged to:

- identify themselves as “Student-affiliated Chapters” of the NBA.
- coordinate with a faculty member who is a member of the NBA.
- organize meetings to discuss topics relevant to the band profession.
- invite guest speakers to share information or to present sessions at meetings.
- provide volunteer service for events taking place within the School of Music.
- invite instrumental music education majors to join the NBA.
- attend NBA meetings held during state, regional, or national conferences.
- communicate with the NBA State Chair for their state.
- receive approval for special activities from the NBA State Chair.

The following policies must be adhered to:

1. Student chapters should not open bank accounts using “National Band Association” in the name. Bank accounts can be opened using other band-related names that are specific to your university/college. The NBA will not be responsible for the financial negligence of any NBA student chapter.
2. Student chapters are prohibited from using the NBA Tax Identification Number.
3. Student chapters may use the NBA logo in an effort to promote general meetings and overall awareness. To avoid confusion with official National Band Association Events, however, please use language in any flyers or communications that specifically identifies the event as being hosted by a student-affiliated chapter at your school. Official NBA events (such as concert band festivals, conducting symposia, etc.) are those that would be offered to professional educators and have received approval from the NBA Executive Committee.
4. Student chapters are welcome to register as an official student organization on campus, but the NBA cannot provide liability insurance if required by your university. The NBA cannot be held liable for student conduct on any campus.