

# Arkansas School Band and Orchestra Association

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Beginning Classification Form 2026-2027

School Name:

Director:

Region:

**5<sup>th</sup> and/or 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Beginning Classification**

**number is determined by the highest grade used in the band/orchestra.**

Indicate the grade level(s) used in **your** 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Beginning **Band/Orchestra** and total number enrolled in each of those grades in **your** Beginning **Band/Orchestra**.

- 5<sup>th</sup> grade - How many \_\_\_\_\_
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade - How many \_\_\_\_\_

**All 5<sup>th</sup> and/or 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Beginner Groups**

**are either**

**5ELEM/BEG or 6ELEM/BEG**

**depending on the highest grade used in the organization.**

**(Beginner groups with 7<sup>th</sup> and/or 8<sup>th</sup> graders should use the Junior High Classification Form.)**

NOTE: (From the AAA Office) Sixth grade students are not eligible to compete against students in grades 7 through 12 in any competition for awards, ratings, recognition, criticism or qualifying for additional competition. THEY MAY ENTER SOLO-ENSEMBLE EVENTS – HOWEVER, if they are members of an ensemble, the ensemble must be composed of 6<sup>th</sup> graders only. This in no way limits 6<sup>th</sup> graders from performing at non-competitive school events, such as school concerts, school shows, or half-time marching shows.

Signature of Director:

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Signature of Principal:

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Date:

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**OFFICIAL BAND/ORCHESTRA**  
**CLASSIFICATION**

**\*\*\* Deadline for Return – September 15, 2026 \*\*\***

**OR BEFORE first scheduled interscholastic event, whichever occurs first**

Send **1 copy** to **ASBOA**, 1711 Coliseum DR, MSC 6036 Russellville, AR 72801 (**FAX: 501.421.7994**)

**AND 1 copy** to your **Region Chair**.