Find your “Musical” Sense of Place in Indiana!

**INDIANA... THE ONLY PLACE IN AMERICA THAT IS HOME TO:**

- First High School Orchestra in the Public Schools of the United States – Richmond H.S.
- First Public High School Band – Connersville H.S.
- Oldest H.S. Show Choir Competition – Bishop Luers H.S., Ft. Wayne
- International Violin Competition – Indianapolis
- Great American Songbook H.S. Vocal Competition – Carmel
- MacAllister International Opera Awards – Indianapolis
- Drum Corp International World Championships – Lucas Oil Stadium
- Bands of America H.S. Marching Band Grand Nationals – Lucas Oil Stadium
- Music For All National Concert Band & Orchestra Festival – Indianapolis
- One of the oldest and largest music instrument manufacturers, Conn- Selmer – Elkhart
- One of only 18 full time American orchestras – Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra

**School Music...where the music begins, but so much more!**

- Schools with strong music programs have higher graduation rates.
- School music prepares students to be life-long responsible learners and citizens who are career-ready for the 21st Century.
- Students enrolled in music classes have higher attendance rates and are more engaged in school.
- School music builds “arts-rich” communities.
- School music bolsters creativity and a more innovative workforce.
- Music students learn the value of working together to reach common goals.
- School music enhances individual expression and self-discipline.

**Never let the music end!**

- Keep music as a “core” subject taught in every Indiana school by highly qualified, licensed music educators.
- Provide funding at a level that does not force local school leaders to eliminate or reduce music course offerings.
- Ensure that student participation in music education is not limited by the emphasis on standardized tests.
- Create an environment which attracts and retains quality music educators that will help grow the next generation of Indiana’s leaders.

The Alliance for Indiana Music Education is an organization comprised of the Indiana Bandmasters Association, Indiana Music Educators Association, Indiana State School Music Association, Indiana chapter of the American String Teachers Association, Indiana High School Color Guard Association, Indiana Percussion Association, Indiana Orff Schulwerk Association, Indiana Jazz Educators Association, and the Indiana Choral Directors Association, and all are committed to providing Indiana’s children with a comprehensive and high quality music education.

For additional information, including links to supporting documentation, please go to: allinmusiced.org