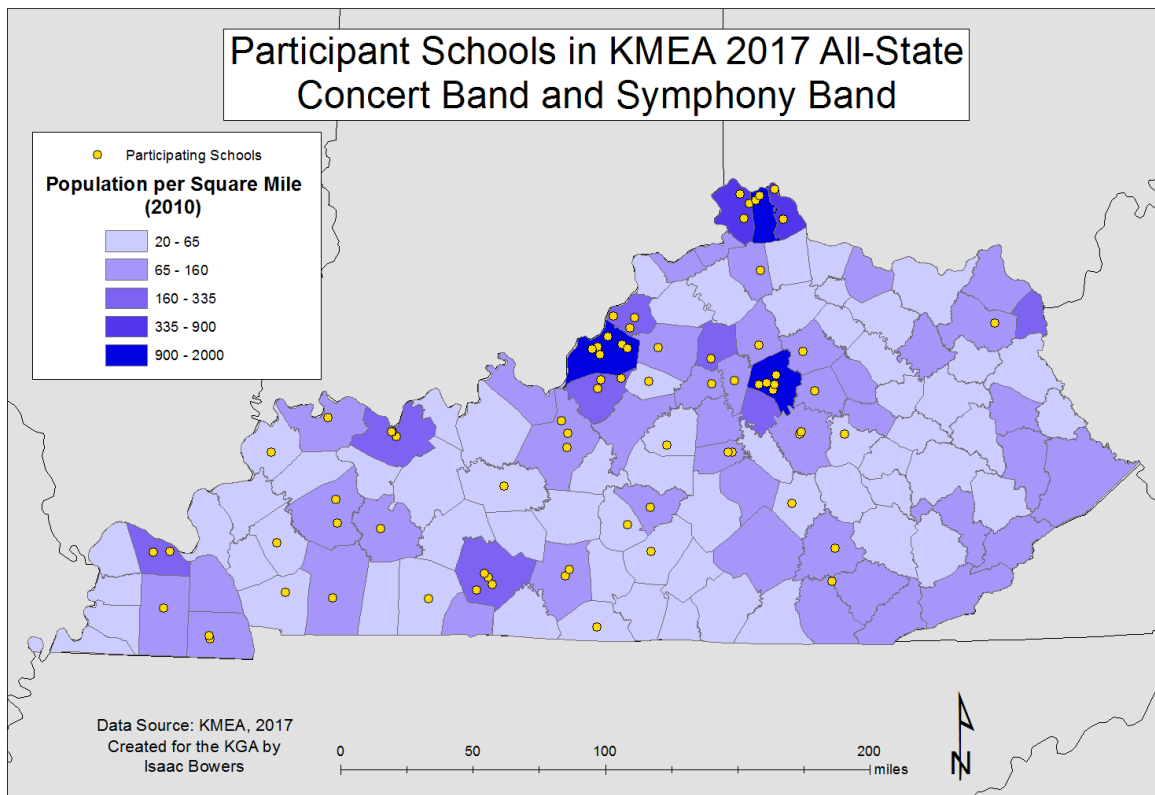

KENTUCKY IN THE NEWS

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In early February, the Kentucky Music Educators Association (KMEA) hosted the annual All-State Concert Band and Symphony Band performances, as well as choral and orchestral divisions. Each student participated in a rigorous multi-stage audition process. Once selected, the musicians came from across the Commonwealth to rehearse and perform with their peers. Above, schools represented by all-state concert band and symphony band participants can be found. All-state choral and orchestral divisions are not represented in this map.

The dots represent the high school where each musician attends. Some high schools have a single participant, where other high schools like the Youth Performing Arts School in Louisville had a number of musicians attending the program. Large cities will have more high school musicians, but other factors also affect the distribution in state-level activities. The quality of the music education program and economic support of the school district and community also play a role.

The amount of time dedicated by a student to perform at this level is remarkable. Help support the arts in your community. Come back to our website soon to see additional supporting maps of the KMEA program that will include the choir and orchestra participating schools, which has a unique distribution in our state.

You can learn more about the KMEA [here](#), and for downloadable PDFs of this document or simply the map itself, visit www.kga.org/kentucky-in-the-news.