

## **Handbell Musicians of America Area 2**

### **will begin accepting applications for the Hand Chime Lending Program**

beginning March 1, 2017

Applications will be accepted until all sets have been allocated for Summer 2017 and the school year 2017-2018. Contact the HMA Education Chair about set availability.



Application and supporting documents may be emailed to the Education Chair or sent by regular mail.

### **Hand chime Lending Program:**

The purpose of the Handbell Musicians of America Area 2 Hand Chime Lending Program is to promote the ringing of Hand Chimes in Public or Private Elementary or Secondary schools, Churches, or Community Groups within the area of Area 2: Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and Ontario. This program is a valuable introduction to the art of ringing instruments and often becomes a focal point in expanding such programs in the local community.

### **About the Loan Program:**

**HMA Area 2** has 5 sets of three-octave hand chimes to loan.

### **The loan periods are:**

**One school year (September 1 through June  
with return of handchimes to HMA-Area 2 by June 15, 2018.**

**-OR-**

**One summer session (July 1 – August 15)  
with return of handchimes to Area 2 by August 22.**

**Eligibility Requirements: Public or Private Elementary or Secondary school, Church, or Community Group within HMA - Area 2.**

1. Handchimes will be loaned only once to a particular school, church or group.
2. Preference will be given to a new school district before another school within the same district.
3. Preference will be given to organizations with existing music programs.
4. Must be a member of Handbell Musicians of America (HMA), or willing to become a member of HMA if the loan is approved.

For further information, application and other requirements visit the Area 2 website:  
<http://area2.handbellmusicians.org/handchime-lending/>