

August 2015

To: 7-8th grade Orchestra students and parents

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Welcome to another exciting year of playing in orchestra!

Students will need their instrument and supplies in class by Mon., Aug. 24. Please check out your school instrument on Thursday, Aug. 20, from 3:00-7:00 p.m. or Friday, Aug. 21, from 3:00-4:30 p.m. in the Jefferson City High School Orchestra instrument storage room, located in the music hall. The attached Orchestra Data form must be signed by the parent/guardian and turned in at the time of check-out in order to receive an instrument. If you need a new orchestra concert shirt size this year, the order form and \$16 need to be turned in by Fri., Sept. 18. Another document to sign and turn in is the bottom portion of the calendar form.

Parents are always needed to help with our program. Please consider getting involved with the Orchestra Boosters and attend their meetings. The next meeting is Thurs., Sept. 10 at 5:30 p.m. at JCHS orchestra room.

Middle School String Movers:

Join other 6, 7 & 8th grade orchestra students in the after-school performing group - Middle School String Movers. This group meets every Thursday from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the Simonsen orchestra room, beginning Thurs., August 27th. The Movers will be an extra-curricular group involved in additional performances.

Supplies needed: (put names on everything!)

Essential Elements 2000 Book 3 (Green border- new edition) * - 7th & 8th grade
Essential Elements 2000 Book 2 (last year's book - purple border) * - 7th grade only

rosin *

cellos & basses - end pin rest *

soft cloth

2 sharpened pencils

Folding music stand * (for concerts)

1 inch binder with pockets

Concert attire: Red Orchestra shirt with embroidered logo (be sure to check if your shirt fits) and black pants or skirt; dark colored dress shoes.

* Can be purchased at Capital Music, Will West Music or Jerry Field's music.

**IMPORTANT 7/8 GRADE ORCHESTRA CALENDAR EVENTS ON BACK
(PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS)**

Important 7/8 LCMS Performance & Rehearsal Dates 2015-16:

(Please mark your calendars)

- Thurs., Aug. 20, 2015 from 3-7 p.m.- Orchestra instrument check-out for 6/7/8 students at Jefferson City High School Storage room. Bring filled out orchestra data form and signed calendar form.
- Fri., Aug. 21, 2015 from 3-4:30 p.m. - Orchestra instrument check-out for 6/7/8 students at Jefferson City High School Storage room. Bring filled out orchestra data form and signed calendar form.
- Thurs., Aug. 27, 2015 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. - Middle School String Movers (6, 7, 8 grade eligible) meets every Thursday at Simonsen Music Room.
- Thurs., Sept. 10, 2015 - 5:30 p.m. - Jay Orchestra Boosters meeting for interested Orchestra parents at JCHS Orchestra room.
- Thurs., October 8, 2015 - LCMS Grandparents' Day - LCMS 7/8 orchestra performs in morning on stage at LCMS. Wear red orchestra shirt & jeans.
- Thurs., Oct. 8, 2015 - 5:30 p.m. - Jay Orchestra Boosters meeting for interested Orchestra parents at JCHS Orchestra room
- Wed., Oct. 28, 2015 - LCMS 7/8th Orchestra field trip from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. to St. Louis Symphony and Science Center. Trip will cost about \$25.00. Students can participate in the Orchestra Booster cookie dough fundraiser to pay for their trip.
- Thurs., Nov. 12, 2015 - LCMS Fall Orchestra & Choir Concert at 7 p.m. in LCMS gym. 7 & 8 grade orchestra performs.
- Thurs., Nov. 12, 2015 - 5:30 p.m. - Jay Orchestra Boosters meeting at Hy-Vee for pie preparation.
- Fri-Sun - Nov. 13-15 Orchestra Booster Apple Pie Fundraiser at Hy-Vee all day.
- Thurs., December 3, 2015 - 5/6th grade Orchestra & Middle School String Movers rehearsal 4-5 p.m. in LCMS gym
- Thurs., December 3, 2015 - 5/6th grade Orchestra & Middle School String Movers Orchestra Concert at 7 p.m. in Lewis & Clark Middle School School gym
- Wed., December 16, 2015 - Fine Arts assembly at 1:15 p.m. in LCMS gym. 6/7/8 grade orchestra performs.
- Thurs., Jan. 7, 2016 - 5:30 p.m. Jay Orch. Booster mtg at JCHS Orch. Rm.
- Thurs., Feb. 4, 2016 - 5:30 p.m. Jay Orchestra Booster meeting at JCHS Orch. room
- Thurs., March 10, 2016 - 5/6th grade Orchestra & Middle School String Movers rehearsal from 4-5 p.m. at Thomas Jefferson Middle School gym.
- Thurs., March 10, 2016 - 5/6th grade Orchestra & Middle School String Movers concert at 7 p.m. at Thomas Jefferson Middle School gym.
- Tues., March 15, 2016 - LCMS 7/8 orchestra concert at Simonsen at 7 p.m.
- Fri., March 18, 2016 - LCMS Orchestra music contest at Simonsen in afternoon. (Times tba). 7/8 grade orchestra performs and opportunity for students to play solos or small ensembles. Parent volunteers will be needed.
- Thurs., April 7, 2016 - 5:30 p.m. Jay Orch. Booster mtg at JCHS Orch. room
- Sat., April 23, 2016 - 7/8 grade Orchestra trip to Six Flags. Cost approx. \$50. Students must maintain a "C" average in all classes 2nd semester and not had any discipline referrals to be eligible.
- Mon., April 25, 2016 - 7/8th grade orchestra rehearsal from 5:15-6:15 p.m. at Jeff. City High School Orchestra room.
- Mon., May 2, 2016 - 7/8th grade orchestra rehearsal from 5:15-6:15 p.m. at Jeff. City High School Orchestra room.
- Wed. May 4, 2016 - All-District Orchestra Concert at 7 p.m. at JCHS Fleming Fieldhouse for 5/6/7/8 grade orchestras.
- Fri., May 6, 2016 - Jay Orchestra Booster mtg at 5:30 p.m. at Riverside Park
- May (Date to be announced) - String Movers (who have participated in regular attendance at after-school rehearsals) trip to elementary schools. (all day)
- Last day of school - 8th grade Honors Assembly - 8th grade orchestra performs.