

# FAYETTEVILLE ORCHESTRA PROGRAM

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Parents and students, here is your copy of the **Orchestra Handbook Info** and the **Calendar of Events** for this year. Please note that all **FHS Orchestra** members will be performing in the Fall/Monster Mash Concert, the Winter Concert, All Region Concert Assessment, the Spring Concert, and the Prelude to Commencement. These are required concert and rehearsals for a class grade. (Let us know in advance if there are any conflicts so that we can address them ahead of time if possible).

**The Fayetteville High School Orchestra** will require regular practice at home and at school in order to learn the material and technique required for class. Playing assessments, practice journals, and home performance assignments will be used to *grade practice*. Students will also have a chair placement assessment at the beginning of the year and may also challenge other chairs to move up throughout the year. Students will need to prepare and submit assignments on google classroom by the listed due dates. If you have a technology issue see your teacher about scheduling a time before the due date to get help submitting an assignment. Students may also submit a 1 min. solo (choice piece) to audition for the advanced FHS Chamber Ensemble group.

Students are **highly encouraged** to try-out for All-region (7th-12th grades) in October, and All-state (10th-12th grades) in February. We will have several all region bootcamps scheduled in September to provide extra practice and help after school. All-region and All-state are also great accomplishments for students to list on scholarship applications. Students may also sign up for practice times after school during the week (*check google classroom for the weekly sign up link*).

We will need parent volunteers at All-Region try-outs & Clinics, and other events throughout the year. The *Clinics* are rehearsals and performances involving the three All-Region orchestras. This is a *very big deal and* highly competitive, *that is* sanctioned by the **Arkansas School Band and Orchestra Association**. To accomplish the numerous planned concerts, trips, and events for the year, **we need parents to be involved**. Your active support will be instrumental in our accomplishing these goals and will also help us do more for our wonderful orchestra students! We look forward to a great year of music making!!  
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**FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

FAYETTEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL 994 W. Martin Luther King Blvd. Fayetteville, AR, 72701

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## HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA DATES:

### AUGUST

|      |                                  |                      |               |
|------|----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| 16th | Instrument Night (FHS, RJH, WJH) | @ FHS Orchestra Room | 5:00-7:30     |
| 28th | Open House                       | @ FHS Orchestra Rm   | Check Website |

### SEPTEMBER

|            |   |                          |           |
|------------|---|--------------------------|-----------|
| 6th        | FHS Chamber rehearsal                             | @ FHS Orchestra Room     | 4:00-6:00 |
| 4th & 11th | All Region Boot Camp (FHS) <i>opt.</i>            | @ FHS Orchestra Room     | 4:00-5:00 |
| 20th       | Parent Meeting (FHS, RJH, WJH)                    | @ FHS Orchestra Room     | 5:30-6:30 |
| 27th       | Fall Orchestra Picnic (FHS, RJH, WJH) <i>opt.</i> | @ Veterans Memorial Park | 5:00-6:30 |
| TBA        | Hispanic Heritage Festival (Chamber Orch.)        | @TBA                     | TBA       |

### OCTOBER

|      |  |  |         |
|------|--|--|---------|
| TBA  | FPS Hall of Honor Celebration (Chamber Orch.)            | @ Fayetteville Public Library            | TBA     |
| 27th | All Region Auditions (FHS, WJH, RJH) <i>opt.</i>         | @ Bentonville                            | All Day |
| 30th | <b>Monster Mash Concert (FHS) <u>required attend</u></b> | <b>@ FHS Performing Arts Center 6:30</b> |         |

### NOVEMBER

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| 9th-10th | All Region Clinic (all qualifiers) <i>opt.</i> | @ TBA | TBA |
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### DECEMBER

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| 13th | <b>Winter Concert (all Orchestras)</b> | <b><u>required performance</u> @ FHS Performing Arts Center</b> |                             |
|      | 7th grades = 6:30                      | 8th grades = 7:00   | <b>FHS Orchestra = 7:30</b> |

### JANUARY

|                  |  |                      |           |
|------------------|--|----------------------|-----------|
| 10th, 17th, 24th | All State Boot Camp (FHS qualifiers)       | @ FHS Orchestra Room | 4:00-6:00 |
| 24th             | Mid Year Event (FHS, RJH, WJH) <i>opt.</i> | @ TBA                | @ TBA     |

### FEBRUARY

|           |                                       |                                  |           |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| 1st & 2nd | All State Auditions (FHS qualifiers)  | @ University of Central Arkansas | TBA       |
| 12th-16th | All State Clinic (FHS qualifiers)     | @ Convention Center Hot Springs  | TBA       |
| 21st      | Instrument Night / Instrument Upgrade | @ FHS Orchestra Room             | 5:30-7:00 |

### MARCH

|           |   |             |            |
|-----------|---|-------------|------------|
| 29th-30th | <b>Concert Assessment (FHS Orchestra) <u>required</u></b> | <b>@TBA</b> | <b>TBA</b> |
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### APRIL

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| TBA | Solo & Ensemble (FHS, WJH, RJH) <i>opt.</i> | @ FHS Black Box Theater | TBA |
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### MAY

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|-----|--|------------------|
| 2nd | <b>Spring Concert (FHS Orchestra) <u>required</u> @ FHS Performing Arts Center</b> | <b>7:00</b>      |
| 4th | Spring trip <i>opt.</i>  | TBA tentative    |
| 9th | Spring Concert (WJH, RJH) @ FHS Performing Arts Center                             | 7:00             |
| TBA | <b>Prelude to Commencement @ Bud Walton Arena (FHS Orch.) <u>required</u></b>      | <b>4:00-7:00</b> |

#### Calendar Notes:

- Performances marked **required** are for a class grade. *Opt.* (or unmarked) = optional events.
- All times are PM unless noted.
- TBA times will be announced later in the school year.
- There may be some optional events added during the year.
- (FHS) High School Orchestras, (RJH) Ramay Orchestras, (WJH) Woodland Orchestras

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## Orchestra Uniforms:

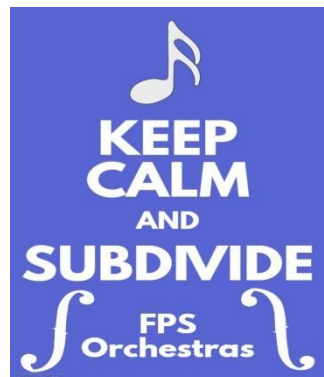
**CONCERT DRESS (FHS)** - High School & Chamber Orchestra.

**Gentlemen:** *All Black Dress:* Black collared shirt, black shoes and socks. A purple bow tie will be provided (must return at end of concert).

**Ladies:** All black long skirt or pants and blouse or top with sleeves black hose and black shoes (no open-toed shoes)

**\*OTHER EVENTS** – All other orchestra school events and trips for each group should be orchestra t-shirts, nice jeans or slacks (no holes or tears), nice tennis shoes unless stated otherwise. Students are representing their school and orchestra when attending these events and must dress & behave accordingly. (Students who receive a negative school referral may not be allowed to attend extra orchestra events and activities including any field trips).

*YOU MAY NOT BE ALLOWED TO PERFORM IN A CONCERT OR EVENT IF YOU DO NOT FOLLOW THE DRESS CODE! Concerts are a significant part of your orchestra grade and may not be made up. Please plan on having your dress for concerts and events ready several weeks in advance. If you have questions or difficulty getting the concert dress, be sure to contact your instructor at least a week before the event (email is best). Do not wait until the concert as we will not be able to help at that time. Orchestra T-shirts are ordered at the beginning of the school year. We may check again at the beginning of the second semester for reorders if needed.*



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**Supplies Needed:** *Each student will need these items for class along with their instrument:*

- **1) Class Music Binder:** You may also purchase an Etude book for All-region & All-state.

*You can purchase books & music at Saied Music, Palmer Violins, or online at Amazon etc. (check the orchestra website at <http://fpsorch.weebly.com/resources.html> for contact info to local music shops).*

- **2) Name Tag & (Shoulder rest or Rock stop):**

Violins & Violas: Name Tag for your Case, Rosin, Shoulder Rest (Kun or Everest).

Cellos & Basses: Name Tag for your Case, Rosin, Rock Stop (or Xeros strap).

*\*Students should also have a music stand and a tuner for practice at home.*

## **Instrument Purchase, Repairs, Supplies & Equipment:**

Please only use a reputable shop that has a luthier that specializes in string instrument repair of violin, viola, cello, and basses. Guitar repair and sales shops are not the same. Purchasing an instrument online is generally not recommended unless you use a very reputable site that specializes in violin, viola, cello and basses.

### **Local Shops:**

Palmer Violin Shop: <http://www.palmerviolins.com> - 479.621.0777 314 W Walnut St, Rogers, AR 72756

Saied Music: <http://www.saiedmusic.com> - 479.571.2400 2880 N. Point Circle, Fayetteville, AR 72704

Palen Music: <https://www.palenmusic.com/pages/strings> -(479) 464-8877 4093 W. Sunset Ave. Suite 101, Springdale, AR 72762

*\*You can also go to the orchestra website **resources page** for information on reputable instrument and supplies shops. <http://fpsorch.weebly.com/resources.html>*

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## **Playing Assessments**

*(These will be submitted through Google Classroom video uploads and in class performances)*

**Skills Assessments (Playing Assessments):** High school orchestra students will do more skills assessments on google classroom focusing on demonstrating proficiency in their concert music, technique, music theory, and other concepts related to developing a mastery of the instrument. This will require regular practice both at school and at home throughout the year. Students will need to log in and submit their assignments on google classroom and keep up with due dates posted. If someone cannot do this at home due to technology issues, please see your instructor about finding a time to come in and record your assessment and we will help you submit on Google Classroom.

**Chair Placements & Chair Challenges:** Students will submit and All-region excerpt and scale on google classroom to determine chair placement. After which students will have opportunities throughout the year to take part in chair challenges to move up in their section. Students will also need to participate in a challenge if they receive a challenge from another student for their spot. Teacher and student feedback will be considered for chair challenge results.

## **Awards:**

During the spring orchestra concert there will be an awards ceremony. Awards will be presented based on several factors throughout the school year including: Participation in class, participation in extra events such as: All Region auditions, All Region Clinics, Solo & Ensemble, extra orchestra concerts and rehearsals. Also, in their contributions to the orchestra in demonstrating: leadership, volunteering, musical achievement, and genuine effort and improvement.

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## **Grading:**

- Classroom Rehearsal Techniques - 10 points per day. (Students demonstrate daily warm-up & rehearsal skills within a 5 point rubric).
- Bell ringers, exit tickets, & self-assessments 5-25 points.
- Written Assessments/ Quizzes 10-50 points.
- Skills Playing Assessments/ Pass-offs 10-50 points.
- Practice Journals / Home performances 10-50 points
- Performances/ Dress Rehearsals 100-200 points (may not be made up).
- Extra All-region assessments/ scales and excerpts (music selections).

*(The model for this will be the ASBOA orchestra audition standards).*

- Many assessments will be done using Google Classroom. If you do not have an internet accessible device at home, the student may schedule a time to accomplish this at school before the due date.
- Each school orchestra has its own procedures. All of the schools have similar rules and use the discipline chart. Being tardy may not be made up.
- Students are ***highly encouraged*** but not required to audition for All-region & All-state. Participation is also a consideration in many scholarships.
- Missing/Late work will be noted as a Z in the gradebook and students will need to submit the next class period after which points may be deducted. Students will have one week to turn in the assignment for grading after which a 0 may be noted in the gradebook. Points may be deducted for late assignments. X in the gradebook refers to an excused assignment.

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## **Orchestra Guidelines and Expectations**

### ***All orchestra members will:***

1. Get to class on time; be in your seat when the bell rings. Always check the board for additional instructions.
2. Dispose of food, drink, or candy in the trashcan upon entering. Only water is permitted at your seat.
3. NO GUM IN ORCHESTRA!
4. Cell Phones should be silenced and put away unless the director has given permission to use them.
5. Be respectful of everyone in the classroom and their belongings (including instruments)!
6. Use appropriate and respectful language.
7. Follow all school rules during orchestra performances, trips, or activities.
8. Be responsible for attending and participating every day and at every performance.
9. Be prepared and practiced for rehearsals and concerts.
10. Turn in all assignments in class and on google classroom.

## **Disciplinary Actions**

1. Verbal warning
2. Conference with student
3. Parent/guardian contact
4. Disciplinary referral to school administrator
5. Parent/guardian conference with teacher and administrator and *(possible removal from class)*.
6. *(Will follow guidelines as listed in the student handbook if further action is needed)*





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## Class Codes:



Woodland 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: zf7n92

Woodland 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: ijywd3



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FHS Full Orchestra: jy4v2q

FHS Chamber Orchestra: \_\_\_\_\_



**RAMAY  
JR. HIGH SCHOOL**

Ramay 8<sup>th</sup> Grade fifth period: 5c600f

Ramay 7<sup>th</sup> Grade sixth period: fmb9gm

Ramay 7<sup>th</sup> Grade seventh period: nj2f5p2

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*Parents & Students please sign & print below after reading the class handbook info in the binder.  
(Return this page to your orchestra teacher)*

**General Orchestra Media Release Permission:**

From time to time the media is invited to orchestra concerts and events. We also take photos for use on the orchestra website and in promoting the orchestra program at school and in the community. Please indicate below if you do, or do not give permission for your child to be photographed for these purposes.

\_\_\_ I give my consent for my child to be photographed or filmed for inclusion in news, television, newspaper events, on the orchestra website and orchestra program promotions.

**General Orchestra Program Field Trip and Events Permission:**

All necessary precautions will be taken for the care and supervision of children during trips away from the school building. Beyond this, the school and those supervising these trips and activities are not responsible for accidents or injuries, which may occur. Please indicate below if you do, or do not wish for your child to participate.

\_\_\_ I give my consent for my child to participate in orchestra events and activities away from the school building.

Parent Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Letter of Agreement**

We have read and understood the obligations and responsibilities as a member of the 2018-2019 Fayetteville High School Orchestras. We agree to follow all the rules and do our part to achieve the goals of the orchestra. We have received a calendar and a copy of the guidelines and expectations, disciplinary actions, grading policy, uniform information, field trip/media release/health information form, and student/parent information sheet for the current school year.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student (signature) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian (signature) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Permission Slip/Health Information**

My child, \_\_\_\_\_ has permission to travel with Mr. Yale, Ms. Haley, Fayetteville Orchestras, and orchestra chaperones, on all orchestra related field trips during the 2018-2019 school year. I understand that all school rules apply to students while on these trips. I also give permission for medical treatment for my child in case of an emergency.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Print name \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Health Information**

Doctor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical or other important information about your child that we may need to know (allergies, asthma, medicines your child takes, etc).

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**Student Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Period: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell/Home Phone:( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent(s)/Guardian(s)**

Primary contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_  
Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secondary contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_  
Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Best time/Method of contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**Become a Orchestra Volunteer!**

\_\_\_\_\_ I'm interested in being a field trip chaperone this year

\_\_\_\_\_ I'm interested in helping at a concert this year

\_\_\_\_\_ I'd like to help with the following: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Orchestra T Shirts**

Student Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

School (circle 1):    FHS   /   Ramay   /   Woodland

Adult T-Shirt Size (circle one):    Small   /   Med.   /   Large   /   XL   /   2XL

Write in if you need a youth size: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I'd like to purchase an orchestra T shirt (\$8) = (if a check please make to FHS)

*(Please send us an email or let us know if you need help getting an orchestra T shirt)*