



NEWSLETTER

FHS ORCHESTRA

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

The Lyrica and Sinfonia Orchestras are off to a great start! In addition to our Fall Concert preparation, students are working on warm-ups and techniques to build on their foundational skills and advance their sound.

A focal point in each lesson is consistency. The goal for each student is not to play something correctly just once, but until it is a habit of which they **cannot** get wrong. Not only does this make them a better musician as a whole, but it also teaches them patience and the persistence to apply themselves to their fullest.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

- Pay Fees
 - \$50 Course Fee - paid on Pay N' Go
 - \$100 Instrument Usage Fee (students using school instruments only)
- Sign to verify your child's Practice Planner minutes; this assignment is due every Tuesday
- Check your child's formal uniform needs: ALL students must have closed-toe, black formal shoes. Students wearing the tux uniform must have their own black button-down shirt.
- Do you have any spare clothing hangers not in use? Please consider donating these to the orchestra program for our formal pants.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

5 - The Brass Thimble hemming

6 - Posters and Premieres Social (2:45 - 6:00 pm)

27 - Concert Rehearsal and Photoshoot (2:45 - 4:30 pm)

**Mandatory for all students*

**All: bring formal shoes*

**Tuxes: bring black button-down shirt*

OCTOBER

4 - Fall Concert

**Mandatory for all students*

12 - All-Region Auditions

18 - Crew Requirement

**Mandatory for all students*

19 - Hosting JH Region Auditions

**Volunteers needed*

NOVEMBER

15 - Smorchestra Party