



ORCHESTRA

Evelyn Champion, Director

Orchestra Notes Week 5

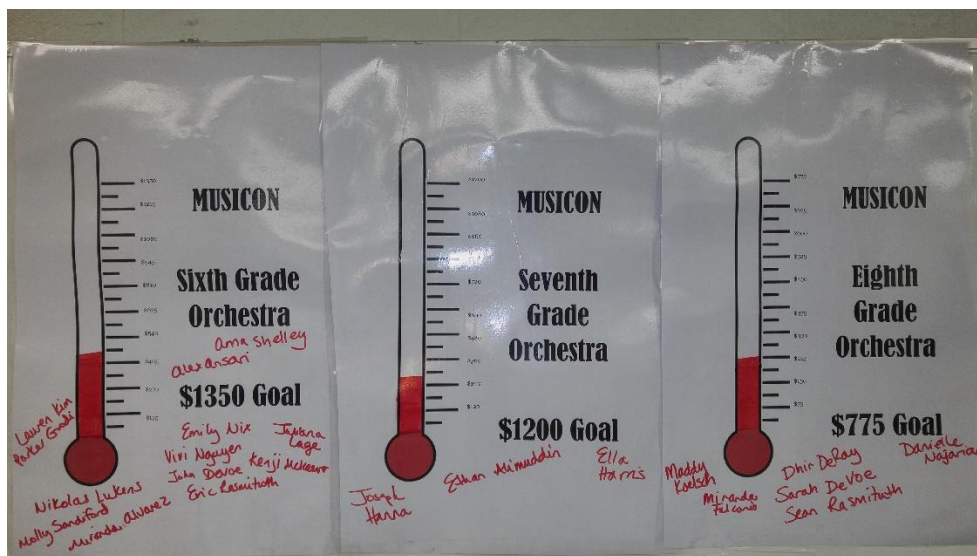
Good afternoon orchestra parents,

We made it to week 5! Things are going well. It is time to start thinking about the FALL CONCERT on October 17. Please make plans well ahead to adjust your schedule so that you can attend this important event with your young musician. Students will need to arrive at school fully dressed in uniform between 6:00 and 6:15 pm for pictures. The concert will begin promptly at 7:00. All students are required to stay for the entire performance (all three grade levels) which will be one hour or less. There will be more information about the concert coming!

MUSICON FUNDRAISER

Our MUSICON fundraiser has gotten off to a great start. Please remember I must have the signed donation form with the funds you send in, or shortly after you donate online. The MUSICON letter including the donation form is posted here:

<http://nmsperforms.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/MUSICON-2017.pdf> Thank you in advance for your generosity. The deadline and super fun night are September 22!



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LAST CALL FOR ORCHESTRA POLO SHIRTS

OSP is closed for uniform shirts. I will take final orders on Friday BEFORE SCHOOL by check only. Checks must be made out to Northwestern Middle School (not orchestra or OSP). Here is the form: <http://nmsperforms.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Orchestra-Uniform-2017-2.pdf> You do not need to send me your child's size- I am sizing them in the classroom using the samples.

THE ORCHESTRA CLASSROOM IS ALWAYS OPEN TO PARENTS

At open house, several parents asked how orchestra class "works." You are welcome to come observe at any time with a little notice, but you must be registered as a volunteer. Contact me for days/time that will work, and be sure to read this page: <http://nmsperforms.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/Directions-for-Fulton-County-Schools-Volunteers.pdf> You can come in during a class that is *not* your child's if you would like. You are always welcome!

OSP PAYMENTS

Please remember, only use the links that say **Orchestra** at the beginning (not band or chorus) as the OSP links are not interchangeable or refundable. If you aren't sure about the link, please email to confirm. THANK YOU again for making payments for orchestra through **OSP**! The directions for making online payments for orchestra are posted here: <http://nmsperforms.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Online-School-Payments.pdf>

If you must send a check (that's ok for large amounts) I can only take cash or checks before school, made out to Northwestern Middle School (NOT orchestra). I can not take cash or checks during class.

NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR CONCERT

I also a volunteer to pick up the bakery goods from Rhodes Bakery in Roswell for our Fall Concert, two volunteers to assist the photographers from 6-7 pm, and help with equipment and supervision during and after the concert. Please email me at champione@fultonschools.org if you are willing to help. Thank you!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

There are several events coming up quickly that you need to be aware of

1. Our **Fall Orchestra Concert** is Tuesday, October 17 in the gym.
2. **GMEA All State Orchestra and Honor Orchestra auditions- October 14 Centennial High School**
 - a. [All State Preparation Workshop at Clayton State University](#) -September 23, 2017

HANDBOOK

The orchestra handbook is updated on our website, and the sign off link is at the bottom of the page: <http://nmsperforms.org/orchestra-handbook/>

MRS. CHAMPION'S WISHLIST FOR FALL 2017

Swiffer Dusters, a Swiffer Wet Mop and Wet Mopping Refills <http://a.co/ejTepNx> and <http://a.co/bSv5l2M> **Thank you Karim family for the dusters!!!**

Bass Stool Cushioned Covers- dark color please- need 6. <http://a.co/i8lsiQo>

Small manual vacuum cleaner- any brand: <http://a.co/aZouzrv> or <http://a.co/5MJ4JOS>

Thank you,

Mrs. Champion