

WEST/DIMOND AREA ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL

West High School Gym

Wednesday, March 23rd, 2016

Secondary School Information

Dear Secondary Orchestra Parents,

The Anchorage School District Music Department will present the annual West/Dimond Area Orchestra Festival on **Wednesday, March 23rd in the West High Gym**. This festival includes all orchestra students from West High and Dimond High, Steller Secondary, Romig, Central and Mears Middle Schools, and their elementary feeder schools.

There will be one large group rehearsal for all secondary students on the evening of the concert.

REHEARSAL & CONCERT SCHEDULE

WEST HIGH GYM

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| High School Seating/Tuning | 5:30 – 5:45pm |
| High School Rehearsal | 5:45 – 6:00pm |
| Middle School Seating/Tuning | 5:45 - 6:00pm |
| Combined Rehearsal | 6:00 – 6:50pm |
| Finale Rehearsal (with Elementary) | 6:50 - 7:00 pm |
| Elementary Rehearsal | 7:00 – 7:15pm |
| Check for Tempos | 7:15 – 7:25pm |
| CONCERT!!* | 7:30 – 8:15pm |

- BRING INSTRUMENTS, MUSIC, FOLDING STANDS & PENCILS.
- CELLO/BASS: bring endpin rests.

PARENT/STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Transportation: Parents are responsible for all transportation to and from the rehearsal and concert sites. If you have a transportation conflict, please try to form a carpool with another parent. If you are transporting students other than your own, please file an insurance form in your school's office.
2. Students Bring: **pencil, music, instrument with a tagged (ID) case, marked folding music stand and endpin rest for low string players**. Warm-up rooms at West High have been assigned; look for signs as you enter from the gym parking lot doors.
3. Student Attire: Dress up clothes or school concert uniform are appropriate for the concert night. Check with your teacher to see what is appropriate for your school.
4. Meeting Place: There is always a crowd at the concert site. Parents, please arrange a specific meeting place with your child for the conclusion of the concert. If you have a few moments at the end of the concert, we would appreciate your help in putting chairs and stands away.

All students need to be picked up NO LATER THAN 8:30p.m.

5. Student Participation: All members of our string classes are expected to participate in the festival. Non-attendance may drop your child's grade by one or two letters.
6. Security: Warm-up/case rooms may not be locked or supervised. Please do not leave valuables in these rooms.

THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS MUSICAL EVENT POSSIBLE!