



To: McEachern Orchestra Parents and Students
From: Dr. Tim Mooney
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Re: Orchestra Information
CC: Ms. Regina Montgomery, Principal

The Orchestra has several requirements that you should know about. Summer Camp for all students is held during the months of June and July. The cost for the camp is \$50. This is your orchestra fee for the year; many schools charge much more for this. If you have paid the summer camp fee, **YOU HAVE PAID YOUR ORCHESTRA FEE FOR THE YEAR!** Other costs for students are the Orchestra formal dress and tuxedo. Ladies and men using a school tuxedo are responsible for a \$20 cleaning fee for their outfits upon receipt of them in September; they must be returned at the end of the year. Fundraising events will be held during the year to help students maintain the orchestra. All school concerts begin at 5:30 P.M. and are usually over before 7 P.M. *Violin and viola players are expected to have their own instruments for high school;* we have some school instruments, but they are to be used when personal instruments are broken/being repaired, etc. If you own your own violin or viola, **YOU ARE EXPECTED** to bring it to school! The school does provide cellos and string basses for the students to use in class. Students and parents are also required to return the back page of the orchestra manual to Dr. Mooney on the designated date. At the end of the year, students who have successfully completed all requirements in Orchestra will receive a letter.

If you have any questions, check the school website/Activities/Fine Arts/Orchestra or our Orchestra blog, *Harmony for Humanity*, or feel free to call me at school (770.222.3710, x265) or email me at DrMoonT@Hotmail.com. The website is updated frequently and should help you in keeping track of our events and concerts. Thanks for your continued cooperation.