

# Washoe County School District

## Middle School 7/8 Honor Orchestra 2024

### Audition Information

WCSD has two Middle School Honor Orchestras: one for 8<sup>th</sup> graders and one for 7<sup>th</sup> graders. Participants will be selected through the process of a blind audition (the adjudicators will not be able to see or know who is auditioning). **Prompt attendance at ALL rehearsals is mandatory as is staying until the end of the scheduled rehearsal.** There is a \$20 fee for those selected to participate in JHO. It helps to cover all costs associated with Middle School Honor Orchestra. Your teacher will discuss with you how this fee will be paid.

If you are interested in auditioning, please submit the bottom portion of this paper to your teacher no later than **Wednesday, September 20, 2023**. Your teacher **WILL NOT** accept any late entries. Do NOT apply to audition if you cannot attend all of the scheduled rehearsals for the entire time scheduled.

#### Audition Timeline

Wednesday, September 20 – Student Registration (bottom portion of this paper) due to School Orchestra Teacher

Wednesday, September 27 – Students informed of their audition times on Wednesday, October 12

**Wednesday, October 11, 3:00-8:00pm – Auditions at Mendive Middle School (1900 Whitewood Dr, Sparks, NV 89434)**

- Audition materials attached. If not, ask your teacher.

Friday, October 13 – Students informed of audition results

Monday, October 16 – Student participation paperwork due to School Orchestra Teacher

#### Rehearsal & Performance Schedule

Wednesday, October 18 – Rehearsal & Sectionals at **Mendive Middle School (1900 Whitewood Dr, Sparks, NV 89434)**

- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: 3:30-7:00pm – Bring a snack and water bottle.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: 4:30-8:00pm – Bring a snack and water bottle.

Wednesday, October 25 – Rehearsal at **Mendive Middle School (1900 Whitewood Dr, Sparks, NV 89434)**

- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: 3:30-6:00pm – Bring a snack and water bottle.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: 4:30-7:00pm – Bring a snack and water bottle.

Wednesday, November 1 – Rehearsal with Guest Conductor at **Mendive Middle School (1900 Whitewood Dr, Sparks, NV 89434)**

- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: 7:30-11:00am – Parents provide transportation to the rehearsal. WCSD will provide transportation back to school. Students will arrange with teacher to eat lunch upon return to school. Bring a snack and a water bottle.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: 1:00-4:30pm – WCSD will provide transportation to the rehearsal. Parents provide transportation home from rehearsal. Bring a snack and a water bottle.

Thursday, November 2 – Dress Rehearsal & Concert

- Dress Rehearsals at Pioneer Center (100 S. Virginia Street, Reno 89501)
  - Students must wear concert clothes to rehearsal for photographs that are taken during the rehearsal.
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: 2:45-4:45pm – **Students must stay backstage from 4:45pm until the concert begins.** Bring dinner to eat after rehearsal. Instrument case and personal items remain in assigned area backstage.
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: 4:30-6:00pm – **Students must stay backstage from 6:00pm until the concert begins.** Instrument case and personal items remain in assigned area backstage.
- 6:30pm – Concert Begins

**Cut here – KEEP this top portion for your information!**

\*\*\*\*\*

**Give the bottom portion to your school orchestra teacher**

**DUE DATE: Wednesday, September 20, 2023.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

**Student:** Yes, I have read the MSHO Information above. I wish to participate in the audition process and will prepare for it.

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

**Parent/Guardian:** Yes, I understand that by signing below I am giving permission for my child's orchestra teacher to register my child's first & last name, school, grade, and instrument for WCSD MSHO auditions. Yes, I understand that prompt attendance is mandatory for the entirety of all rehearsals.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_