

Dear Instrumental Music Students and Parents,



The Fine Arts Department of the Liberty Public School District is pleased to announce the inaugural season of the LPS Middle School Honor Symphony Orchestra, beginning in the fall of 2018. This group will be an auditioned, extra-curricular opportunity available at **no cost** to all LPS 7th & 8th grade string, woodwind, brass, and percussion students currently enrolled in a school band and/or orchestra class. The goals of this new honor group are to provide quality musical experiences through exposure to advanced literature, to contribute to the aesthetic development of the students, and to foster a general interest in orchestral music.

Students are invited to audition for the Honor Symphony on Tuesday, September 18, 2018, at Liberty North High School. Students will receive a specific audition time via email not later than September 4, 2018. If a student cannot make their scheduled time, please contact either justin.doss@lps53.org or rebecca.doss@lps53.org to make other arrangements. Audition music will be the same as for the 2018-2019 KC Metro All-District Orchestra and Band auditions, and packets are available from your child's orchestra or band teacher. Audition scores will be based on note accuracy, rhythm accuracy, intonation, tone quality, and articulation/sticking/bow control. Final selection will be based on instrumentation needs, audition score, and teacher recommendation.



Rehearsals for selected students will be held at Liberty North High School in the Orchestra Room (#612) on Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. – 7:45 p.m. The first rehearsal will be on Tuesday, October 2, 2018, with a fall semester performance on the evening of Tuesday, December 11 at LNHS. The spring performance calendar will be announced at a later date, but likely will include at least one performance at Liberty High School. We currently are working on other performance opportunities to showcase what will surely be an amazing group of young musicians!

We are incredibly excited about the educational possibilities and enrichment this symphony orchestra will provide to our students! This marks an important step in the continued growth of the instrumental music program in Liberty, and we hope you will consider auditioning to be a part of the first Honor Symphony!



Sincerely,

Dr. Justin Doss & Mrs. Rebecca Doss, Directors



Parents/guardians, to register your child(ren) for auditions, please visit the website below. Please complete one audition form for each child auditioning. Sign-ups must be completed by Friday, August 31.

<https://tinyurl.com/yar2kuxa>

