



EMERSON ORCHESTRA

December Newsletter



Greetings, Emerson Orchestra Family –

The end of the semester is upon us! We will close out this semester with a handful of events – Winter Cluster Concert, All Region Clinic and Concert, EHS Fine Arts Showcase, various smaller performances in the area, and SO MANY SOCIALS!

Please join us Wednesday night for our Emerson/Scoggins Cluster Concert at 6:00 PM. It will be an evening packed with delightful holiday music! Doors will open at 5:45 PM with a cookie reception hosted by our EOBC to close the night. [See our event flier here.](#)

And now, some information from our Orchestra Council Secretaries.

Sandra M. Mour

EMERSON FINE ARTS HOLIDAY SHOWCASE

Every year, Emerson Fine Arts Dept. (band, choir, orchestra, dance, theater, and visual art) puts together a showcase for the community. Every program showcases their many ensembles and we will too – all four of our orchestras and our harp studio will perform. This event is attended by FUSD school board members and it is not unheard of to have local news reporters recording and interviewing students! [See event flier here.](#)

For the **dress rehearsal** scheduled on December 11 (Monday afterschool) – students are asked to report to the orchestra room 30 minutes before their rehearsal time.

For the **performance** on December 12 (Tuesday at 7:00PM) – students are asked to report to the orchestra room 30 minutes before their performance time. **Attire: 23-24 Orchestra Shirt and jeans.**

SECRET SANTA KICKS OFF!

Secret Santa is an EHSO tradition that we will be continuing this year! The Secret Santa is given a wish list of gift ideas to choose from to give to their chosen giftee.

The first gift was given **November 29/30** to the students! The next gift (**\$8 – \$10**) will be turned in wrapped and labeled to the recipient's locker **December 6/7th**.

The final gift (**\$15 – \$20**) will be due **December 13/14th** during the class's Holiday Bash!

LINKS/FORMS

- [Amazon Wishlist](#)
- [Pay Fees Here](#)
- [Join the EHSO Booster](#)
- [Past Newsletters](#)

SOLO & ENSEMBLE SEASON CONTINUES

Solo & Ensemble is an event where students work on music for a solo (with piano accompaniment), small ensemble (duet, trio, quartet, or quintet), and/or both. Soloists and ensembles will primarily learn music on their own time. Music must be ordered based on the UIL Prescribed Music list. Mrs. Mour has assisted students in locating the correct pieces for purchase.

S&E is scheduled for January 27th

Information regarding solos requiring a piano accompaniment is forthcoming but students are free to contract their own accompanist.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 12/6** Winter Cluster Concert–6:00 PM
- 12/7** Wortham Concert
- 12/12** Fine Arts Holiday Showcase
- 12/14** Booster Club Meeting
- 12/15** Senior Night
- 12/22 – 1/9** – Winter Break
- 1/15** – Spring Trip Payment #2

JOIN US AT OUR NEXT BOOSTER MEETING:

DEC. 14 @ 6:00PM

[YOU Can Join the EOBC TODAY](#)

ONCE UPON A MATTRESS MUSICAL

Our Musical Orchestra Pit has been selected and rehearsals will begin after the Thanksgiving Holiday break! This music will truly stretch our musicians in more ways than one. The music is professional level and every rehearsal counts. Please be sure to check your email for any communication from our theater teacher, Mrs. Libby Rotan.

The EOBC will be purchasing our string players their shirt for the musical but meals will need to be provided by the student and/or purchased from the theater dept.

Musical Performances: Jan. 18, 19, and 20

UPCOMING REHEARSALS

- 12/5** Musical Rehearsals
- 12/11** Showcase Dress Rehearsal
- 12/13** Musical Rehearsals
- 12/18** Musical Rehearsals
- 12/20** Musical Rehearsals
- 1/9** Musical Rehearsals
- 1/13** Musical Rehearsal
- 1/15** Musical Rehearsal

EHS SYMPHONY CHORUS

Full Orchestra participants have been selected and rehearsals are in full swing. I cannot explain to you how special of an experience it is to be able to combine with band AND choir. Parents are in for a delightful musical experience!

Catch the Emerson HS Symphony Chorus performance, Tuesday, Dec. 12 (7:00PM) at our annual Emerson Fine Arts Holiday Showcase.

SPRING TRIP UPDATE

Payment #2:
Due Monday, Jan. 15

**128 days
until
DISNEYLAND!**

World's Finest Chocolates Fundraiser in January

Our annual chocolate-selling fundraiser will kick off in January! Students will receive a box of 60 chocolates and will sell each chocolate for \$1.00 to school students and their local communities. The top-selling class and student will be receiving prizes!

SENIOR NIGHT

We will be hosting our first ever senior night this December! This social event is a time for only seniors to get together and enjoy an evening of fun. We'll bowl down memory lane between bites of pizza and arcade games.

Details are still being worked out and we'll have those out to you as soon as they are available.

Date and Location:

December 15th at Main Event.

PICTURES ARE READY!

Our pictures are ready to be downloaded and, my, are they stunning! Please check with your orchestra student that they did *indeed* take their photos their individual and/or group photos. There were a handful that for various reasons, did not.

An email will be required to log in. Please toggle between **Albums** and **All Photo** tabs at the top to access all available photos.

Parents and students are able to **download their photos free of charge and/or purchase the available products** offered by Patti Scheurich Photography.

[Underclassmen/Groups](#)

[Seniors/Groups](#)