

# Western Kansas Orchestra Festival

November 16-17, 2018

Hays High School

*Please return your permission slip today!*

August 23, 2018

The 2018 Western Kansas Orchestra Festival will be held in Hays. Rehearsals will be held at the Hays High School, 2300 E. 13th St..

The WKOF is a "mass festival" where over 600 string players are divided into four orchestras. The four orchestras rehearse Friday afternoon and evening, Saturday morning and afternoon. The festival will conclude with a free concert at the Hays High School Gym. The concert will begin at 6:00 PM this year.. Member schools of the Western Kansas Orchestra Festival Association are Dodge City, Garden City, Hays, Hutchinson, McPherson, Salina South, Salina Central, Great Bend, and Beloit. The festival is hosted in a different location each year. Fort Hays State University and Mr. Harbaugh provides management for the festival.

Our guest clinician/conductors this year will be Rachel Dirks, Kansas State University; Lynitta Harris, Wichita; Kevin Monroe, Eldorado High School; and Shelly Wolf New, Boyd High School, McKinney Texas.

I would like to encourage all students to attend the WKOF in Hays if possible. The school will pay the entry fee. Student expenses will be about \$40.00 for the motel plus food for 2 days (4 or 5 meals). I hope to have Motel reservations at the Best Western Plus Motel in Hays.

Please do not send money for the motel room at this time as I need to know exactly how many students will attend before announcing the cost per student. We need parents to help travel and/or chaperone the students. Please send a note or call if you are interested.

We will leave the Beloit Jr.-Sr. High School at the beginning of the school day on Friday, November 16. Registration, rehearsals and auditions begin at 1:00 PM Friday and conclude with a free concert Saturday evening at 6:00 PM. Parents are encouraged to attend! We will return to Beloit after the concert.

**Dress code for the concert!**

Dress for the 2018 WKOF Concert will be: **Junior High:** Boys will wear white shirts with black pants; Girls will wear White tops, Black skirts or pants, or all black

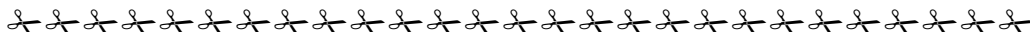
**Senior High:** School uniform tux.

Deadline for the entry fee early this school year so I must know well in advance how many to expect. Please sign the enclosed slip and return it to me today! Please return the permission slips to Mr. Harbaugh as soon as possible.

I hope a good number of students and parents can represent Beloit at this event!

Sincerely,

Michael Harbaugh  
Orchestra Teacher



\_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to attend the Western Kansas Orchestra Festival in Hays on November 16-17.

\_\_\_\_\_ will not be able to attend the Western Kansas Orchestra Festival this year.

Parent/guardian \_\_\_\_\_

## Audition procedure for section leaders

### High School Orchestra audition procedure

WKOF Audition excerpts will not be selected or mailed out in advance for WKOF 2018. *Each judge will decide what excerpt from the WKOF literature will be used for the audition immediately before the auditions begin.* WKOF literature audition material will be posted outside the room before auditions begin. High School auditions will also include 1 of the 3 excerpts, 1 of the 2 scales from the KMEA All-State Audition Material, and one example from the WKOF performance selections. Excerpt and scale are to be selected will be announced in early November. The local festival manager will choose the excerpt and scale to be used. These excerpts and scales are selected on a rotating basis and will be posted on the KMEA web site very soon. Auditions will be done on a pull out basis during the first rehearsal.

#### High School Orchestra Audition Material:

- Violin: 1 Scale from the KMEA excerpts, \_\_\_\_ **Scale**  
1 excerpt from the KMEA excerpts, \_\_\_\_\_  
1 excerpt from the music to be performed at WKOF by the students assigned group.
- Viola: 1 Scale from the KMEA excerpts, \_\_\_\_ **Scale**  
1 excerpt from the KMEA excerpts, \_\_\_\_\_  
1 excerpt from the music to be performed at WKOF by the students assigned group.
- Cello: 1 Scale from the KMEA excerpts, \_\_\_\_ **Scale**  
1 excerpt from the KMEA excerpts, \_\_\_\_\_  
1 excerpt from the music to be performed at WKOF by the students assigned group..
- Bass: 1 Scale from the KMEA excerpts, \_\_\_\_ **Scale**  
1 excerpt from the KMEA excerpts, \_\_\_\_\_  
1 excerpt from the music to be performed at WKOF by the students assigned group.

### Middle School Orchestra audition procedure

WKOF Audition excerpts will not be selected or mailed out in advance for WKOF 2018. *Each judge will decide what excerpt from the WKOF literature will be used for the audition immediately before the auditions begin.* WKOF literature audition material will be posted outside the audition room. Auditions will be done on a pull out basis during the first rehearsal.

#### Middle School Orchestra Audition Material:

- 1 or 2 excerpts from the music to be performed at WKOF by the students assigned group.  
Two octave D major scale for violin, String Bass, Cello and Viola will play 2 octave G major scale.

## WKOF 2018 MUSIC SELECTION

### Middle School String Orchestra A

“Battlesong for String Orchestra”  
“Jupiter”  
“Night Shift”

clinician **Kevin Monroe**  
Standridge / Law, Grand Mesa , E  
Monday, Kjos , E  
Meyer, Alfred , E

### Middle School String Orchestra B

“Deception”  
“A Beethoven Lullaby”  
“Indigo Mountain”

clinician **Shelly New**  
Allison, C Alan / McClaren, E  
Balmages, FJH, VE  
Day, Alfred, E

### High School String Orchestra A

“Heart of Fire”  
“Toss the Feathers”  
“Wexford Carol” (for String Orchestra)

clinician **Lynitta Harris**  
Bernofsky, FJH, ME  
O’Laughlin, Carl Fischer, ME  
McGinty & Mullins, Queenwood, ME

### High School String Orchestra B

“Two Daughters”  
“Danse Infernale”  
“On The Pilgrim’s Road”

clinician **Rachel Dirks**  
Silva, Carl Fischer E  
Del Borgo, FJH, ME  
Bishop, Wingert-Jones, M