



**Beloit Jr.- Sr. High School Orchestra**

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***KMEA – Combined SW and NW District Orchestra  
December 7, 2019  
Fort Hays State University***

Dear Parents and Students,

KMEA is offering a District Orchestra to our students. A District Orchestra for the Northwest KMEA District of Kansas had not been possible as Hays and Beloit are the only schools offering Orchestra in the District. Southwest KMEA District had the same problem with only Dodge City, Garden City, and Great Bend offering Orchestra. After several years of discussion we have proceeded with a Combined SW / NW KMEA District Orchestra. The District Orchestra will alternate sites between Dodge City (site of SW KMEA meetings) and Hays (site of NW KMEA meetings). Students will now qualify to audition for 2020 KMEA All-State Orchestra by being selected to and participating in the District Orchestra.

The deadline for application to the District Orchestra is October 15 so I must know who will audition right away. Students will perform one excerpt, one scale and a short excerpt from music to be performed by the NW/SW District Orchestra on a digital recording. Mr. Harbaugh will upload the recordings on Wednesday, October 30. Selection and seating will be decided by a panel of Orchestra directors listening to the recordings on October 31. The SW / NW KMEA District Orchestra will rehearse and perform at the Fort Hays State University Beach Schmidt Performing Arts Center on Saturday, December 7, 2019. Registration will begin at 8:00 AM and the Concert at 3:15 PM.

**KMEA SW and NW District audition materials**

**Deadline to upload auditions: October 30, 2019**

All excerpts are taken from the All State Excerpts which are online at the KMEA website. An additional selection from the District repertoire will be added later.

**(District music to be performed at FHSU, on Dec. 7: Rosamunde Ballet Music No. 1, When The Stars Began To Fall, and Capriccio Espagnol)**

Violin: G Melodic Minor Scale, Mendelssohn excerpt, Capriccio/Alborada, beginning to letter E

Viola: E major scale, Brahms excerpt, Capriccio/Fandango measures 94 to 109

Cello: E major scale, Mozart excerpt, Capriccio/Fandango measures 96 to 109

Bass: E major scale, Mozart excerpt, Capriccio/Fandango measures 97 to 109



\_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to audition for the SW / NW KMEA District Orchestra to be held at Fort Hays State University in on Saturday, December 7, 2019

Student \_\_\_\_\_

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

