



AMERICAN STRING TEACHERS ASSOCIATION
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Dear All Region Participant,

Congratulations on your selection for All-Region Orchestra! By now, your teacher has informed you of which orchestra you will be playing with and has given you music to practice. There are two orchestras this year: the Scherzo Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Doug Elmore and the Cantabile Orchestra under the direction of Dr. Brenda Brenner. This festival will be held at **Highland High School** on **Saturday, November 20, 2010** from 8:30 a.m. to approximately 6:00 p.m. I hope you are looking forward to a great day of music making!

As stated in the information you received with your application, the fee for the festival is \$22. This includes the t-shirt to be worn for the performance. Lunch (Subway, chips, cookie, and drink) and snacks will be provided at a cost of \$7.00. Please turn these fees into your school director (total of \$29.00). You may bring your own lunch if you choose to do so. Let your teacher know if you will not need the lunch provided or if you would like a vegetarian lunch.

The day will begin with registration from 8:15 – 8:45 AM. Rehearsals begin at 9:00 AM. All students must bring their own instruments, music, concert uniform and accessories. You will have both full and sectional rehearsals throughout the day.

There will be a concert beginning at 4:30PM. Your day will end at the conclusion of that concert. The concert is open to the public. Dress for the concert is your ASTA Middle School Orchestra t-shirt (you will receive this the morning of the festival), black pants, black socks and black dress shoes. Parents, family and friends are encouraged to come to your performance.

If for some reason you are unable to attend, please let your school director know as soon as possible. Also, if you have any further questions, please ask your school director or feel free to contact the host, Phillip Loos, at Highland High School.

Again, we are looking forward to your participation in the ASTA Middle School Orchestra Festival at Highland High School!

Sincerely,

Phillip A. Loos

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