Southern Arizona Honors Orchestra Festival

February 15, 2020 Canyon Del Oro High School, Oro Valley, AZ 4:00 PM Concert

Dear Students,

Congratulations on your participation in the Southern Arizona Honors Orchestra Festival. This prestigious festival showcase of the best young musical talent throughout Southern Arizona. Students will have the opportunity to perform with outstanding guest conductors alongside their musical peers. Please read through this letter for important information concerning the festival.

Tickets

Tickets will be on sale the day of the festival starting at 3:30 PM for the price of \$5. Children 5 and under and admitted free.

Arrival and Student Rehearsals

Registration will begin at 8:30 am in the lobby of the auditorium. Students need to check-in with their teachers, and purchase meal tickets if not bringing their own lunch (See student lunches). Students must be prepared for their rehearsals and have all of their necessary equipment. Please double check to make sure that you have the following:

- All festival music with measures numbered
- Instrument in outstanding working condition
- Sharpened pencil for rehearsals
- A folding music stand clearly labeled with your first and last name
- Students should not have cell phones out during the day.

Students are to arrive in professional concert attire. It is important that students represent their school with their appearance and their actions. Check with your director for clarification of appropriate concert attire.

SAHO students will spend most of your day rehearsing in a full Orchestra setting. There is time during the day for smaller sections, and there will be small breaks throughout the day. Students will be busy throughout the day. Please make sure you have everything that you need before you arrive at the festival.

Students are expected to have their music prepared at a very high level prior to arriving at the festival. Students who are unprepared can be dismissed from the festival at the chairperson's discretion.

Concert Information

The Concert will begin at 4:00 PM. Seating will begin at 3:45 PM. Let your friends and family members know that there will be no early seating. No one will be admitted during music performances. There is no food or drink allowed in the auditorium. Videotaping and recording of the concert is prohibited per AMEA festival rules. A professional recording company will be recording the concert and CDs are available for purchase. This is due to copyright law. Please check after the concert to make sure you take home everything that you have brought to the festival. It is easy to be excited and tired after a festival performance, and we don't want you to lose anything you bring!

Student Lunches

Students should have arranged lunches through their school director. The CDO Band Boosters have graciously arranged to provide lunches for \$6.00 a piece. Lunch will consist of a hotdog or hamburger, bag of chips, water or can of soda, and a cookie.

Students should pre-purchase these through their director the morning of the festival.

Students who do not purchase a lunch should bring their own lunch.

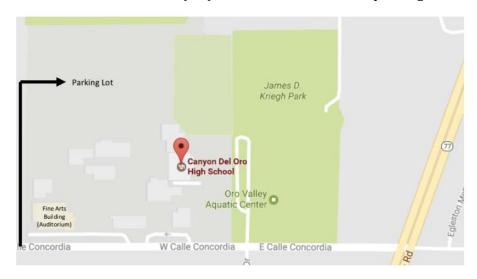
Canyon del Oro High School

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Canyon del Oro High School just west of Oracle Road, on Calle Concordia

From I-10 – Exit Ina Road East (right). Proceed East to Oracle Road. Take Oracle Road North (left) to Calle Concordia.

Go West on Calle Concordia (left) and the school will be on your right.



Audience members should enter campus via the Calle Concordia entrance at the west end of the school, and park behind the school. The auditorium is a short walk from the parking lot. Please head south into the campus from the parking lot. See map above for details.

Please contact your child's director if there are any questions or concerns. Participation in musical events such as this is a rewarding and enriching experience for everyone involved. Thank you for your important support of music education in our state.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Kupar, Director of Orchestras, Mission Manor Elementary, Liberty Elementary, Apollo MS Luis Alarcon, Director of Orchestras, Elvira Elementary, Santa Clara Elementary, Challenger MS SAHO Chairperson 2020