

MCKINNEY BOYD ORCHESTRA AMBASSADORS

Purpose: The McKinney Boyd Orchestra Ambassadors is an extra-curricular ensemble made up of students from the Boyd Orchestra program. The goal of the Ambassadors program is to provide community outreach through performance in McKinney and surrounding areas. Students who participate in Orchestra Ambassadors will benefit from gaining a variety of performance and service experience and visibility throughout the community.

Student requirements:

- Students will be required to attend all mandatory after-school rehearsals. Most rehearsals will take place on Thursdays 1-2 times per month. A schedule for fall semester is provided on the back of this information sheet.
- Students will be required to perform at **5** organized outside of school outreach events per semester - a total of 10 for the school year.
- Students will be required to organize and perform **one** additional event in the community on their own. This can be done solo or in a small ensemble.
- Students will be required to assist with set-up and tear-down at **3** regular orchestra events throughout the year.
- Students will represent the Boyd Orchestra program in a respectful and professional manner when performing out in the community.

Perks:

- Each member will receive an Orchestra Ambassadors t-shirt and jacket to be worn at all performances.
- Ambassadors will be the first group of students to be asked to perform at special events, during and outside of the school day.
- Ambassadors have an opportunity to earn an Orchestra letter through participation in outreach performances. Students who participate in **8** organized outside of school outreach performances per semester - a total of **16** for the year - will earn a letter.
- Ambassadors in good standing (fulfilling all requirements up until that point) will be eligible for the spring trip to a Renaissance Festival that we will fundraise for throughout the year. We plan to make this trip free or at very little cost for all Ambassadors.

Signing up:

Rehearsals begin on September 8th for any student interested in being a part of Ambassadors. All Ambassadors will sign a contract, due September 29th, to commit to the program. Please see the calendar on the back of this page for more details.

Members will also be responsible for a \$20 one time membership due to offset our start-up costs for this organization.

Ambassadors Calendar

****Events will be added as people contact us. Keep a look out for updates!**

<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>
Mandatory Rehearsal	MBHS Orchestra Room	Thursday, Sept. 8th - 2:45-4:00
McKinney Farmers Market*	Chestnut Square, McKinney	Saturday, Sept. 17th - 8am-noon
Mandatory Rehearsal	MBHS Orchestra Room	Thursday, Sept. 22nd - 2:45-4:00
Crape Myrtle Trail Run (E)*	MBHS Campus	Saturday, Sept. 24th - 9am-noon
Mandatory Rehearsal and Contract due date	MBHS Orchestra Room	Thursday, Sept. 29th - 2:45-4:00
McKinney Farmers Market	Chestnut Square, McKinney	Saturday, Oct. 8th - 9am-noon
Mandatory Rehearsal	MBHS Orchestra Room	Thursday, Oct. 13th - 2:45-4:00
North Park Rehabilitation Center	1720 N. Macdonald, McKinney	Saturday, Oct. 22nd - 10-11am
Mandatory Rehearsal	MBHS Orchestra Room	Thursday, Oct. 27th - 2:45-4:00
MBHS Black Out Pep Rally (E)	MBHS Gym	Friday, Oct. 28th - during school
North Park Rehabilitation Center	1720 N. Macdonald, McKinney	Saturday, Nov. 12th - 11:00-1:30
Mandatory Rehearsal	MBHS Orchestra Room	Tuesday, Nov. 15th - 2:45-4:00
Elementary School Trip	MISD Elementary Schools	Thursday, Nov. 17th - during school (tentative date)
Home for the Holidays	McKinney Downtown Square	Nov. 25-27 - TBD
Downtown McKinney Tree Lighting (E)	McKinney Downtown Square	Monday, Nov. 28th - evening, TBD
North Park Rehabilitation Center	1720 N. Macdonald, McKinney	Thursday, Dec. 1st - 4:00-5:00
Mandatory Rehearsal	MBHS Orchestra Room	Thursday, Dec. 8th - 2:45-4:00
Nursing/Retirement Home	TBD	TBD
Merry Bass-mas - help or play	MBHS Auditorium	Thursday, Dec. 15th - 3:00-8:00
Downtown Christmas Takeover	McKinney Downtown Square	Sunday, Dec. 18th - 5:00-6:00pm
McKinney Newcomers Meeting	Trinity Presbyterian Church	Tuesday, Dec. 20th - 9:30-11am

(E) - Electric instruments performance

* - members must participate in one of these two performances.