2014 High Notes Newsletter

Dear 2014 High Plains Music Camp Students,

I am thrilled to welcome you to this year's camp. In this newsletter, you will find information to prepare you for a great week. Schedules and a packing list are just some of the items you will find helpful as you plan for your week at camp. Additional materials can be found on the camp website (www.fhsu.edu/musiccamp). Also, discussions are happening on the camp Facebook page (High Plains Music Camp) if you have any questions.

I look forward to seeing all of you at Fort Hays State University on Sunday, July 13!

Dr. Allen

Driving Directions to our Campus

- **Coming from 183 South**, turn left at 8th Street and go straight (west) to the FHSU campus
- **Coming from 183 North, (option 1)** turn right at 27th Street, take 27th St. to Hall St., turn south (left) and go to the FHSU campus
- **Coming from 183 North, (option 2)** Take Vine St. south to 8th St., turn right and go straight (west) to the FHSU campus
- **Coming from Interstate 70** East or West, turn south at US 183 Bypass (exit 157) and go straight to the FHSU campus

A campus map can be seen on the FHSU website. Come straight to the Memorial Union - park in the lots west of the Union.

REGISTRATION

Sunday, July 13th
9:30 am – 10:45 am:
Last Name A-L

10:45 am – 12:00 noon:
Last Name M-Z

Registration takes place in Memorial Union between 9:30 am and 12:00 noon. Signs will be posted to direct you. At registration you will receive your room assignment, camp schedule, audition time, camp T-shirt, name tag and other pertinent info. A nurse will be there to review medical history.
If you anticipate any problems with transportation, enrollment time, payments, etc., please contact the camp office now so we can answer your questions in advance!

HELLO
my name is

Name tags will be issued to each camper and must be worn at all times. Campers may not participate in any activities at camp without the name tag. If you lose your name tag, a new one may be purchased at a $2.00 fee through the HPMC Office.

YOUR ARRIVAL IN HAYS

The first camp meal will be served on Sunday at noon. Parents are welcome to join their children for lunch on campus (in McMindes Hall) for a fee of $7.50. You are also free to visit some of the wonderful diners and restaurants in Hays, many of whom are sponsors of High Plains Music Camp. If your plans include an early Saturday (July 12th) arrival to FHSU, please contact the Camp Office (785-628-4226), so housing arrangements can be made in advance.

MANDATORY PARENT & CAMPER MEETING
SUNDAY, 1:00PM
BEACH/SCHMIDT PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
(in Sheridan Hall)

DORMITORY ROOMS

After completing registration, campers should report to Wiest Hall for your room assignment and key. You will be issued a key. **Please note: There is a $75.00 charge for lost keys!** Rooms and roommates (if requested) have been assigned as applications were received. You are expected to keep your room clean and orderly. Keep your room locked. Although HPMC will use reasonable efforts to protect students' property, the camp is not liable for the loss, theft, or damage of any property belonging to campers. You are discouraged from bringing laptops, notebooks, or Ipads.

Check-out time will be on Saturday (7/19), beginning at 9:00 a.m. JH campers must be checked out (keys turned in) by **NOON**. HS campers must be checked out by **4:00 p.m**. Your room must be inspected by a counselor before you complete your check-out. **DON'T FORGET TO RETURN YOUR KEY or you will be charged $75.00.**

LUNCH FOR NON-RESIDENT CAMPERS

Non-residents choosing to bring a sack lunch during the week are, unfortunately, not allowed in the cafeteria; however, meal cards (for Monday through Saturday lunches) can be purchased for $50 during registration.

AUDITIONS

Sunday, July 13th!

All audition materials are online!

Starting Sunday afternoon at 2:00 pm, all campers will audition for a place in one of the large ensembles. Your audition time will be on the front of your registration packet. All audition music is available online at www.fhsu.edu/musiccamp (click the "Auditions" tab).

If desired, band students may audition for **Jazz Ensemble** after your large ensemble audition. String students' placement in small chamber ensembles will be based on their large ensemble auditions.

Percussionists: All students are auditioned on the snare. You are also *encouraged* to come to your audition with the prepared online excerpt for snare, mallets and timpani. Marimba, xylophone, timpani, and bass drum will be provided. (Sight reading will be included in the audition.)

The results of all auditions will be posted in Malloy Hall, McMindes Hall, and Wiest Hall by 6:30 p.m. Sunday evening.

Private lessons

may be scheduled with any of the camp faculty members. The lesson charge is $25.00 per half hour lesson except for those with Ken Peplowski (guest clarinet specialist) which will be $40.00 per 30 minute lesson or $75.00 for an hour lesson.

Students are to pay the teachers directly when the lesson is scheduled.

PHONE CALLS

Any messages from your family may be left at the camp office. Emergency calls should also be directed to the camp office (785-628-4226).

CELL PHONES ARE ALLOWED; HOWEVER, THEY MUST REMAIN OFF DURING ALL REHEARSALS, CLASSES, AND CONCERTS.

MAIL CALL!

Of course you can receive MAIL!
It should be sent to you at:

Your Name
c/o High Plains Music Camp
Fort Hays State University
600 Park Street
Hays, KS 67601

Curfew

Middle School Campers
9:00 PM – Campers must be on appropriate floor.
10:30 PM – Lights Out!

High School Campers
9:30 PM – Campers must be on appropriate floor.
11:00 PM – Lights Out!

ATTENDANCE

Attendance is required at all classes, rehearsals, and concerts. Attendance will be taken. Absences will be investigated by the counselors and camp director. ***Campers who skip class will be sent home.*** Illness should be immediately reported to your counselor.

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musiccamp@fhsu.edu
www.fhsu.edu/musiccamp
****Check the website regularly for important announcements****

Camp Packing List!

___ **Completed Medical form** with photo copy of front and back of insurance card (This **should** be sent ahead of registration - it is mandatory to stay at the camp!)

___ Instrument(s) and supplies (folding music stand, valve oil, reeds, extra set of strings, rosin, rock stop, etc.) A music store will be at registration as well providing supplies during camp. Feel free to call the camp office for the phone number of the music store for supplies to picked up at registration.

___**Be sure your instrument is in good repair**! A repair specialist will be available during the week of camp.

___ Bed linens, blanket (twin XLong sized beds) or a sleeping bag and pillow

___ Towels, soap, toiletries, and plastic flip flops for the shower

___ Black slacks or skirt and black shirt or blouse (or dress) for the concert on Saturday (Jazz players should bring an extra set of dress for the Friday concert.) Boys remember your black socks and black shoes. Girls, no spaghetti straps or sleeveless – at least short sleeve. Girls should also have black shoes or sandals. See more details under the "Camp Packing List" tab on the HPMC website.

___ Spending money for snacks, instrument needs (reeds, etc.), the Aquatic Park, and games

___ Dress clothes (in addition to all black concert dress) for evening concerts

(a minimum of 4 outfits)

___ Swim suit/towel/sunscreen (if you plan to spend a day at Aquatic Park)

___ Sports equipment (tennis racket, baseball glove, etc. . .)

___ Pencils and plastic pencil bag for your music folder

___ Your audition music

___ **Percussionists** bring snare drum, mallets & sticks. Those of you auditioning for **jazz band:** It's not necessary to bring a complete drum set - bring cymbals, pedals accessories and snare drum.

___ Electric bass and guitar players – **bring bass, guitars, and amp**

MEDICAL SERVICES

The FHSU Student Health Center is closed over the summer, so there are no medical services for non-emergency situations. Rudimentary first aid will be available through the camp nurse and counselors. Campers should notify their counselor if they are not feeling well or are having any kind of problem. Students must be able to self-administer any regular medications. In the event of an emergency, campers will be taken to Hays Medical Center, and parents will be notified. Any medical expense will be the responsibility of the parent/ guardian. A nurse will be at registration to discuss medical concerns with parents.

Hays Aquatic Park

Admission to the aquatic park is $3.00. Students who sign up to swim are responsible for their admission fee.

Concert Schedule

Monday, July 14th, 7:00 P.M.
HPMC Faculty-Staff Recital
Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center

Tuesday, July 15th, 7:00 P.M.
HPMC Faculty-Staff Recital
Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center

Wednesday, July 16th, 7:00 P.M.
HPMC Student Honor Recital
Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center
Student Talent Show, 8:00 P.M.
Union Ballroom

Thursday, July 17th, 7:00 P.M.
Faculty Orchestra Concert
Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center

Friday, July 18th
(Beginning at 6:10 P.M.)
Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center:
Student Jazz Concert
Faculty Jazz Concert
Felten-Start Theatre (in Malloy Hall):
CINDERELLA scenes
Faculty String Chamber Concert
To be determined:
Alternative Strings Concert

Saturday, July 19th (Times may vary slightly)
FELTEN-START THEATRE (in Malloy Hall) Concert
9:00 Camp Choir

9:20 Junior High String Ensembles & Orchestras

10:30 High School String Ensembles

BEACH/SCHMIDT PERFORMING ARTS CENTER Concert
9:00 Junior High Wind & Percussion Ensemble

9:40 High School Wind & Percussion Ensemble

11:00 Junior High Band Concert

1:00 High School HPMC Singers

1:30 High School Symphonic Orchestra

2:00 High School Concert Band

2:30 High School Honor Band

A NOTE FROM YOUR COUNSELORS

Hey Campers!

Welcome to the 67th Annual High Plains Music Camp. The counseling staff is excited to have you aboard this year. We have worked year round to make this the best camp experience ever!

Don't forget to audition for our ever popular Music Camp Idol. Solos (vocal, woodwind, brass, percussion, string, and piano), skits, rock bands, and even dancing are just a few suggestions that you can prepare to audition for this night. Start working now; it's your night to soar!!

We can't wait to see you returning campers, and are anticipating meeting our new campers! Enjoy your summer so we can rock the week away at camp!

Kristi Reneberg, Krista Connelly, & Bill Meagher
Head Counselors

RECREATION

Recreation is not required, but is provided for your enjoyment. You will earn points for every activity that you attend, and the large ensemble with the most points by Friday will receive a FREE PIZZA party! You may also visit the snack bar in the Union, practice, rest in the dorm, or visit with other campers during the recreation period. Practicing will also earn recreation points!

Camp Policies at FHSU

- **Camp Attire (Day):** You are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing during the day. Apparel that is excessively short, tight, or low cut, as well as, exposed undergarments, midriff, back, or strapless attire will not be allowed. The camp staff will find alternate clothing for you, should you need it.
- **Evening Concerts:** Dress for evening concerts is nice clothing. Concert etiquette will be observed.
- **Performance Attire:** All campers are expected to wear concert black for their various performances. (See specifics under "Camp Packing List" on the camp website: www.fhsu.edu/musiccamp)
- **Cell Phones:** Cell phone use is not allowed during camp classes or concerts but allowed during free time; however, campers seem to have a more enjoyable camp experience by limiting phone usage.
- **Practicing:** Campers are encouraged to practice throughout the week of camp. Practicing in the dorms is permitted until auditions Sunday afternoon. There are practice rooms available in Malloy Hall for practicing after that time.
- **Skateboards and rollerblades:** Skateboards, scooters and rollerblades are **not allowed** on campus.
- **Food Delivery:** If you order out for food, you must wait in the lobby of your dormitory for it to be delivered. If your food arrives after the time you are due back on your floor, the food will not be accepted.

Violation of the Following Policies Will Result in Immediate Dismissal from Camp, without refund:

- **Alcoholic Beverages and Other Drugs:** The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages and/or illegal drugs is prohibited.
- **Housing Floors:** Campers are not allowed to be on the floors of the opposite sex or faculty floor. Males will not be allowed to use Weist Hall elevators with the exception of arrival and departure days.
- **Window Screens:** University Housing policy states that screens must not be removed from windows.
- **Leaving Campus & Car Use:** Campers are not allowed to ride in any car or leave campus (without prior approval from the Head Counselor) during the week of camp. Day campers are exempt but must have an appropriate parking permit from the HPMC office.
- **Security Phones:** Security phones are located at various locations throughout campus. Campers are not allowed to use them unless there is truly an emergency.