Dear 2016 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 10!

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 lot west of the Union.

REGISTRATION
Sunday, July 10th
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!

Campers First Campus Meal

The campers first meal will be at noon on Sunday in McMinides Hall (parents may NOT sit with your campers NOR WILL meals be available to you). Parents are encouraged 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 a Saturday arrival (July 9th) to Hays, please contact the Camp Office (785-628-4226), so we may make suggestions of motels, hotels, and restaurants.

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.

MANDATORY PARENT & CAMPER MEETING
SUNDAY, 1:00PM
BEACH/SCHMIDT PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
(in Sheridan Hall)
DORMITORY ROOMS
After completing registration, campers should report to McMinides Hall for your room assignment and 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, electronic notebooks, or Ipads.

Check-out time will be on Saturday(7/16), beginning at 9:00 a.m. ALL campers must be checked out (keys turned in) by NOON. 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. Due to another camp, noon mails are not available in the dorm on Saturday.

AUDITIONS
Sunday, July 10th!
All audition materials are online!
Starting Sunday afternoon at 1:45 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, McMinides Hall, and Wiest Hall by 6:30 p.m. Sunday evening.

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

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.

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.

LUNCH FOR DAY CAMPERS
Day Campers choosing to bring a sack lunch during the week may eat together in either the lobby of McMinides Hall or the camp office (Malloy 112). To eat lunch in the cafeteria Monday-Friday, meal cards are available for $50 during registration. This includes the Tiger Tailgate dinner on Thursday, July 14.

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 Allen Vizzutti (guest jazz 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.
Camp Packing List!

__Completed Medical form with photo copy of front and back of insurance card MUST be sent to the camp office ahead of registration. This 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.) MANNING MUSIC will have a booth at registration, providing supplies for during camp. Every camper will need a folding stand - call & order one if you don't already have one for camp. Feel free to call or email Dedra or Andrew at the store before camp for supplies to be picked up at registration: Manning Music: 785-273-1740 or www.manningmusic.net

__Be sure your instrument is in good repair! A repair specialist will be available during part of the week of camp; however, no major repairs will be made at camp.

__Bed linens, blanket (twinX-Long sized beds), or a sleeping bag, and pillow

__Towels, soap, toiletries, and plastic flip flops for the shower

__For the concert on Saturday, you should bring the following required clothes: Boys: black slacks & black polo or dress shirt. Girls: black skirt & black short sleeve blouse (or dress). Boys remember your black socks and black shoes. Girls should also have black shoes or sandals. Jazz players should bring an extra set of dress clothes for the Friday concert. See more details under the "Camp Packing List" tab on the HPMC website.

__Spending money for snacks, souvenirs, instrument needs (reeds, etc.)

__Dress clothes (in addition to your all black concert dress) for evening concerts (a minimum of 4 concert attendance outfits)

__Sports equipment (baseball glove, discs for disc golf, etc. . .)

__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

**Concert Schedule**

**Monday, July 11th, 7:00 P.M.**
HPMC Faculty-Staff Recital
Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center

**Tuesday, July 12th, 7:00 P.M.**
HPMC Faculty-Staff Recital
Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center

**Wednesday, July 13th, 7:00 P.M.**
HPMC Student Honor Recital
Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center
Student Talent Show, 8:00 P.M.
Union Ballroom

**Thursday, July 14th, 7:00 P.M.**
Faculty Orchestra Concert
Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center

**Friday, July 15th**
Felten-Start Theatre (in Malloy Hall):
The King & I scenes (6:00 P.M.)
Faculty String Chamber Concert (6:30 P.M.)
Celtic Strings (7:00 P.M.)
Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center:
Student Jazz Concert (6:30 P.M.)
Faculty Jazz Concert (7:30 P.M.)

**Saturday, July 16th (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 Ensembles

9:40 High School Wind & Percussion Ensembles

11:00 Junior High Tiger Band Concert

1:00 High School HPMC Singers

1:30 High School Symphonic Orchestra

2:00 High School Concert Band

2:30 High School Palmer Honor Band

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 type 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 any medical concerns with parents.

MEDICAL FORMS AND COPIES OF INSURANCE CARDS MUST BE SENT TO THE CAMP OFFICE BEFORE CAMP!

NO NEED FOR A SWIMSUIT

We will not have a chance to go swimming any time during camp so there is no need to bring your suit.
Hey Campers!

Welcome to the 69th 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!

Dee Moore, Emily Mattheyer, Spring Trail & 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, Tobacco, and Other Drugs:** The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages and/or illegal drugs is absolutely prohibited. FHSU is a smoke-free campus.
- **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 Wiest 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.