

2023 Olentangy Summer Strings Camp

To Parents/Guardians:

This is your official confirmation of enrollment in the Olentangy Summer Strings Camp for July 17-21, 2023. We will place your child in the ensemble that best meets his or her needs based on the information given in the registration/ teacher recommendation and will contact you with additional questions.

Start Time/First Day Information

Strings camp begins at 9am each day. On the first day please arrive by 8:45. Check in will take place in the Campus Center (100 W. Home St, Westerville). At check-in we will gather emergency forms, waivers, etc, and give campers their group placement. We will then walk students to their rehearsal locations (listed below). Please fill out the enclosed forms ahead of time to expedite your check-in. On Monday you should check your student in. On Tuesday-Friday please drop your child off directly at their rehearsal location.

Location/Times for Beginning, Intermediate I, and Intermediate II (Grades 5-7 during the 2022-23 school year)

All students who were in grades 5-7 during the 2022-23 school year will be meeting and rehearsing in **Battelle Fine Arts Center**. This building has a parking lot next to it. There is also a larger parking lot diagonally across the street in case the Battelle lot is full.

For beginning level students (grade 5), camp will run from 9am-3pm Monday-Thursday. For students who were in grade 6-9 last year, camp will run from 9am-4:30pm Monday-Wednesday. This will give students a chance to work in small chamber ensembles with our instructors. **On Thursday all students who are not staying overnight will be picked up at 3pm.**

All students rehearsing at Battelle Fine Arts Center will be picked up in this same building. While we will make every effort to dismiss students on time but please allow some flexibility in your schedule as we have a lot of students who will be packing up and exiting the buildings at the same time.

If your 5th grade child has a sibling participating in the middle school camp, we will have childcare provided from 3pm-4:30pm on Monday-Wednesday so you can pick up both of your children at the same time. Please note, that this service is provided only for elementary students who have an older sibling who will be picked up at 4:30; it is not open to all campers.

Location/Time for Advanced Ensemble I and II (Grades 7-9 during the 2021-22 school year)

All students who were in grades 7-9 during the 2022-2023 school year will be meeting and rehearsing at the Chapel or the Church of the Messiah. These buildings are located on Cochran Alley off of Grove Street. There is a large painted rock at the intersection.

Advanced I Ensemble will be rehearsing in the Chapel (next to the dorm) off Cochran Alley

Advanced II Ensemble will be rehearsing in the Church of the Messiah. The entrance closest to our rehearsal room is at the end of Cochran Alley (right behind the dorms).

For all middle and high school students, camp will run from 9am-4:30pm Monday-Wednesday. This will give students a chance to work in small chamber ensembles with our instructors. **ALL students in grades 7-9 who are not staying overnight should be picked up in the courtyard off Cochran Alley near the chapel.**

Students who are not participating in an overnight option should be picked up at 3pm with the elementary students on Thursday. While we will make every effort to dismiss students on time please allow some flexibility in your schedule as we have a lot of students who will be packing up and exiting the buildings at the same time.

Friday Time/Concert

On Friday all campers will remain with us until 5pm. At 5pm we will hold a concert for family and friends in the campus center (where you dropped off) The concert should last approximately one hour. Families should plan to bring their own chairs or a blanket to sit on. Students will be dismissed to their families following the concert.

Contents of Packet

In the packet you will find the following information:

- ♪ *Emergency medical forms*; to be filled out and turned in on the first day of camp. The waiver form for our camp is on the back. Please sign all sections that apply to your child.
- ♪ *Directions to the school (both locations) and a map of the campus.*
- ♪ *A receipt with tax ID info for those who have already paid will be at the bottom of this letter*
- ♪ *Payment letter for those who may still owe*
- ♪ *Carpool list*: this will be emailed this year only to those of you who requested it. Let me know if you wanted to be included but were left off and I can email it to you.
- ♪ Overnight information sheet (only included for those students who will be staying overnight)
- ♪ Prescription and Non-Prescription medicine forms (only needed if medicine needs to be administered at camp or your child will self-carry over the counter medication (Advil, Benadryl, etc)

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Instruments

Everyone must bring their own instruments to camp including cello and bass students. If you play the cello or bass, there is a secure place to leave your instrument overnight, should you wish to keep it at camp. We will have nearly 250 campers and many cases look alike. PLEASE label your case with your name. You might also consider putting a small piece of tape on your bow/instrument and labeling it with your name to avoid confusion. We will provide the music for camp; there is no need to bring your strings book!

Lunch

Lunch will be provided from 12:00-1:00 daily. Lunch is provided on all days so you do not need to bring anything, unless you have special needs or if you indicated that you would pack a lunch on Wednesday, pizza day. ☺

Rules

While camp is designed to be fun and exciting, please remember that you will be guests on a large campus. We want to not only be a good representation of Olentangy Local Schools, but to keep everyone safe as well. In general, please use common sense and plan to follow the same rules at camp that you would follow at school (respect, good listening, etc). We also ask that you check in with a counselor or teacher before leaving your group (i.e. bathroom). Cell phones are allowed but we ask that you keep them in your case during rehearsal. We cannot be held responsible for any lost or damaged electronics. **Please help avoid the problem of lost/stolen items by labeling everything that you bring with your name.**

Special Event Days/Extra Considerations

Tuesday is tie-dye day. Please wear appropriate clothing (you may get some dye on yourself). This is subject to change based on weather conditions. Thursday is Supergames/water games day. Plan to get wet at the end of camp. Please also allow extra time for pickup. Parents might also want to bring a towel for the car ride home or a change of clothing if you have plans after camp.

We play some games that involve running so we find that tennis shoes are safer than flip flops.

Campers might consider bringing a water bottle (label with your name) everyday as the summer months get hot and we will be outside enjoying the weather. We want to make sure everyone stays healthy and happy.

Communication

We will be communicating via email to the address that you provided when you registered. If you would like to receive text messages via "remind" please text @ossc231 for last names A-L and @ossc232 for last names M-Z to 81010. Both you and your student can subscribe. This will be for general camp announcements. Your child's director may choose to have their own "remind" code for their specific ensemble.

Receipt

This is to certify that _____ attended the Olentangy Summer Strings Camp from July 17-22, 2021. S/he paid \$ _____ with Check # _____ for the camp option: " _____".

Financial Notes:

Patrons of Orange Performing Arts
2840 E. Orange Rd.
Lewis Center, Ohio 43035
Tax ID Number 27-0345577

Contacts

In case you have any other questions:

Lori Cornett: 614-218-9882 (cell: will have during camp). Texting is better than voicemail ☺ Email: lori_cornett@olsd.us

If you need another copy of any of the enclosed forms please log on to the camp website: www.olentangysummerstrings.com

We are very excited about this year's camp and are looking forward to meeting all of your campers.

Lori Cornett and Tiffany Bartelt,
Camp Administration