



Weekly Update



Week of

**9/29/25 - 10/3/25
and
10/6/25 - 10/9/25**



News of the Week

Please see grade levels for details.

Please review the uniform requirements for the Nov. 4 concert. Examples of the changes can be found on the website. Orchestra polo from last year is ok to wear.

Dates are listed on the orchestra website



Connections Schedule

**A B A B A
B A B A**

★ Reminders★

Students should be practicing at home at least 3-4 days a week for a minimum of 15 minutes each day. Practice is the students homework in orchestra and is expected of ALL students.

WWW.RHMSORCHESTRA.ORG

Announcements



Connections Schedules can be found on the RHMS Official Website. The schedule I use is the schedule listed on the school's master calendar.

This Week in Orchestra:

Monday, 10/6 Chamber Rehearsal 3-5pm

ORCHESTRA PACKS

Orchestra Beginning of the year packs has been extended. This pack is for **ALL STUDENTS**, not just beginners, and contains the yearly subscription to MusicFirst and student binders. Cost is \$20. We only have 116 of 171 paid.

METHOD BOOKS

Please note, no one should purchase a physical method book. We will be using MusicFirst at home which contains the method book. If you are experience issues with internet and need a physical book please let me know so that we can make arrangements.

STAY INFORMED!

Please download the Band App and join our group. This is a new account; returning members' parents will need to join the new group. THIS IS ONLY FOR PARENTS. NO STUDENTS WILL BE PERMITTED AND WILL BE REMOVED.

PARENT GOOGLE FOLDER

Find all forms, handbooks, and program materials in this folder. Check the link on the contact page.

FUNRAISING:

Spiritwear coming soon!

MY MUSIC OFFICE

Account information has been updated; look for login information. Emails were sent out last week.

MUSICFIRST UPDATE

Subscriptions have been ordered. We are currently waiting on the program to go live in Classlink so that the students can just use their school login information. I hope to have this resolved by the end of the week.

6th Grade



THIS WEEK'S **MUSIC MAKING**

Practice Material

9/29-10/3

**Book - Exercises 24-28
Study for Retest**

10/6-10/9

Book - Exercises 29-37

I recommend students look over these exercises over the weekend and prepare for class next week. Handouts will be provided.

TESTS:

Music Theory Retake Test and playing test for #27 on 10/2-3

7th Grade



THIS WEEK'S **MUSIC MAKING**

Practice Material

A-Day

Miniature Symphony - All Movements

Canyon Sunset - Letter C to End

New World Symphony - Focus on notes and Rhythms Entire Piece

B-Day

9/29-10/3

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Study for Retest**

10/6-10/9

Book - Exercises 29-37

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TESTS:

(B-Day)

Music Theory Retake Test and playing test for #27 on 10/2-

8th Grade



THIS WEEK'S **MUSIC MAKING**

This week we will be reviewing the material below.

Practice Material

A-Day

Continuing work on the following:

- Bach Suite - Minuet
- Linus and Lucy - Working the Transition to the Coda and Repeats
- Holiday Fiddin' - Focus on notes and rhythms up to 55
- A Little Winter Music - Focus on notes and rhythms up to 65.

B-Day

Students will continue to work on Scales G, D, and C.

Student will continue working on Impulse this week.

TESTS:

(None)

Chamber Orchestra



NEXT REHEARSAL

**October 6
3-5pm**

Due to the changes with the Bell Schedule this year, rehearsals will be between 3-5:00 this year. Please make sure that students are picked up no later than 5:15pm.

There has been a change in the schedule, I will need to cancel the October 27 rehearsal and reschedule the rehearsal for Monday, November 3.

Chamber Rehearsal Schedule

Please review the calendar sent out the First Week of School.

Chamber Concert Schedule

**November 4 - 6pm at RHHS
December 9 - Celebrate the Arts at RHMS
January 27 - 6pm at RHHS
February 19 - 7pm at RHHS
February 24 - LGPE TBD at Garrison School of the Arts
April 30 - 6pm at RHHS**

All-State/District Honor Orchestra



First Round Auditions are Saturday, October 25 in the morning at RHHS.

Details will be released for those participating as soon as I receive them.

Audition Requirements

<https://www.gmea.org/aso-audition-information>





Orchestra Communication Tools

Website

www.rhmsorchestra.org

Our website is the primary location for all things orchestra. You will find our handbook, policies, and up-to-date information on the main page and under the student/parent resource tabs. This is also where the official calendar is located. We recommend you check this site before contacting the orchestra staff. Most answers can be found in the various documents located on the site.

Band App

The band app will be our text based communication tool for the 2025-2026 school year. Please download the app and follow the QR code to access our group.



My Music Office

My Music Office (MMO) is our primary tool for storing your information and communicating via email. You will be provided a student account and temporary password at the beginning of the year. We ask that you update your contact information so that you can stay up-to-date on what is happening in the orchestra. The emails from PowerSchool will be loaded, if that email is not one you check often, we recommend updating this information in MMO. Emails will be seen as "My Music Office" NOT Mr. Mock's school email. The email may be sent to a junk folder. If you need to contact Mr. Mock directly, please use jmock@bryan.k12.ga.us.

Handbook, Class Syllabus, Rubrics, and Additional Forms



Scan this QR code to access the Parent Google Drive.