



ALLEN ORCHESTRA

HANDBOOK

2018 – 2019

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COMMUNICATION

Please visit the Allen orchestra website at www.allenorchestra.org for additional information.
All students in orchestra grades 6 through 12 will use the CHARMS system on-line at www.charmsoffice.com.

CHARMS is a time saving, information and communication tool used to help our orchestra programs succeed. Please go to www.charmsoffice.com Locate the “Parent/Student Login” section of the web page. The parent/student login is: Allen HS/Lowery FC: AllenHSOrch Curtis MS: CurtisMSOrch Ford MS: FordMSOrch Ereckson MS: ErecksonMSOrch. Next, enter at the “Student ID/Password” prompt your child’s Allen ISD student ID. (After logging in, you may create your own unique password.) Here you can update the student information. (This information is safe and NEVER shared with any 3rd party.) It is used to send emails with orchestra news, upcoming events, etc. Handouts and forms will be located in the CHARMS account. Also, students can listen to songs that we are playing in class. Please use this resource and keep your information up-to-date. Charms is used district-wide by the fine arts staff in Allen ISD for communication, finances, etc...

PURPOSE

The purposes of the **Allen ISD Orchestras** are:

- To develop an understanding and appreciation for one of the greatest artistic achievements of mankind - the full and string orchestra repertoire.
- To train students in music to a point where they may participate in the performance of these great works; and to enable them to continue making music, whether as an avocation or a profession, after graduation from high school.
- To assist students in growing into responsible and successful members of society; able to contribute both individually, and as a member of a group while possessing the essential characteristics of integrity, dependability, and loyalty.

The rules and procedures outlined in this handbook have been developed to accomplish these goals in the most efficient and productive manner, and to provide an accurate method of assessing each student's progress. The goal of this organization is for each student to progress both as a citizen and a musician through making music with a group of their peers. The success of the **Allen Orchestra Program** has traditionally been based on the concept of each student's performing his or her assigned tasks to the best of his or her ability. Each student is capable of making a contribution to the group and to grow in knowledge and appreciation.

Students will contribute to the Allen ISD Orchestra by:

- **CARING** for other students who share similar musical interests
- **RESPECTING** self and fellow musicians
- Demonstrating **RESPONSIBILITY** both on and off the performance stage
- Manifesting **TRUST** by being dependable and honest
- Role modeling the standards of our musical **FAMILY** to the Allen community

ORCHESTRA MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION

Orchestra in Allen ISD is both a class and an activity. Instruction on a stringed instrument is available to those who maintain proper standards of conduct and fulfill their financial obligations. Students who are members of the Allen Orchestra Program will be required to participate in ALL activities of the organization, including rehearsals, sectionals, and performances. Students are encouraged to fundraise and participate in the Off-Campus Trips/Festivals/Performances.

Orchestra is open to any 6th grade student. Starting in 7th grade, students are placed in orchestra classes based on the following criteria: an audition held in the previous Spring (or scheduled by the director/parents/student), orchestra grade history, eligibility history, and director recommendation.

STATEMENT ON STUDENT ASSESSMENT

In order to succeed in the orchestra, a student should demonstrate two things:

A willingness to improve their musical skills
A work ethic that will improve the orchestra team

It would not be fair to assess a student's progress based solely upon playing abilities. Those born with greater natural skills would have an unfair advantage over those who really have to work hard at playing their instrument. Instead, several things can come into account, including:

- an *improvement* in overall performance skills
- being *on time* to class and rehearsals
- *success* in all academic courses – understanding that failing courses affects participation in orchestra
- *attitude* toward other students as well as the directors
- willing to *accept constructive comments*
- willingness to *help* with daily functions of the orchestra
- *a spirit that is positive* toward the image of the orchestra program
- the ability to *represent* the Allen Orchestra Program and Allen ISD in a positive manner

TESTS AND EXAMS

Playing tests and exams, consist of material assigned by your director - usually an assigned excerpt from the repertoire of the upcoming concert or other performing material. Playing tests will be performed using smartmusic in class, and may affect chair placement for concerts. Occasionally, it may be necessary to give a written test and/or exam.

GRADES

Each student will be awarded points based upon the following scale. At the end of each grading period, the number of points awarded can be divided into the number of points available to compute the average.

ACTIVITY	AVERAGE
Class Participation This grade includes daily equipment checks (instrument, pencil, binder, etc...), assignments (practice records, music/history, projects, etc...), canvas assignments, and full involvement in ALL rehearsals by the student	50%
Concerts, Quizzes, and Tests Unexcused absences from concerts or tests will require make-up work in order to receive credit	50%

ATTENDANCE

Orchestra activities are planned so that the least amount of activities will conflict. All students are encouraged to participate in as many activities as they wish, but at the same time, orchestra members are required to participate in all orchestra events, rehearsals and performances - remembering that a **grade is given for each event.**

IMPORTANT: In the event of a conflict, the student has the responsibility of submitting a signed note, email, or phone call from a parent or guardian stating the reason for the conflict. Notes that have not been submitted prior to two weeks before the orchestra event *may not be considered*. This note does not automatically excuse an absence. Each case is considered individually and privately according to its circumstances.

All absences, whether excused or unexcused, must be made up and it is the student's responsibility to obtain the makeup assignment with their director. Only excused absences will be given full credit. Last minute excuses cause problems in scheduling and may not be excused. The only exceptions would be a student illness, death in the family, or religious holiday. Not having a ride to an orchestra function does not qualify a student for an excused absence. If this occurs, please try to get a ride from another student. As a last resort, contact your director. Please make efforts to make sure that you have reliable prearranged transportation to all activities. The attendance guidelines do not apply to social events.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Attendance is required at all scheduled rehearsals, sectionals, chamber music rehearsals and performances.

Examples of excused absences:

- **Death in the family**
- **Medical emergency or illness**
- **Religious holiday**

Examples of unexcused absences:

- **Family trips**
- **Jobs**
- **Personal business or entertainment**

All requests for excused absence from rehearsals, sectionals, chamber music rehearsals and performances are to be **REPORTED IN WRITING, EMAIL, OR PHONE CALL BY A PARENT or GUARDIAN**. If an absence is anticipated, a written request for an excused absence should be submitted at least two weeks in advance. Emergency circumstances may justify an excused absence for reasons other than those listed above. In the case of illness or family emergency, an explanatory telephone call or email prior to the rehearsal or performance is appropriate.

ELIGIBILITY

It is very important that each student maintains passing grades in all classes in addition to orchestra. If you are having trouble passing a class, please notify your conductor. We can try to get you extra help, if not from a teacher, maybe from a fellow student. We expect each member of the Allen Orchestra to do all the work necessary to pass all his or her classes. School performances (events held at an AISD campus) are required regardless of a student's grades. UIL Contests/Extra-Curricular activities (events not held at an AISD campus and/or UIL events) are directly affected by students' eligibility. **All grades must be passing to attend contests and school orchestra trips (events outside of AISD)**

ORCHESTRA RULES

Orchestra rules are designed to be simple and easy to follow. They are effective in keeping order during classes and rehearsals only when each member of the orchestra chooses to follow them. They are:

- When class is scheduled to begin, **be in your seat** with your instrument ready to play and with your music notebook, pencil and any other necessary equipment on your music stand. **THE SCHOOL TARDY POLICY WILL BE ADHERED TO.**
- Everyone must have **their music/binder and pencil** at their seat **every** day.
- Respect the property of other individuals. This includes instruments as well as music. **You do not have the permission to use anyone else's instrument or materials.** Please do not assume that you do.
- **No food, drink or gum is allowed in the orchestra room.**
- **Cell phones should be silenced and stored out of sight during orchestra class.**
- Be respectful to everyone in the room - **that includes when and how you talk.**

Most discipline problems can be handled in-house, such as, assignment to orchestra detention hours, for such things as eating in the orchestra room, failure to follow rules, etc... Any behavior problem can (for any reason) result in a call home and submission of the AISD Student Discipline Form to their house office. **Poor behavior will not be tolerated and can affect a student's participation grade and/or placement in orchestra.**

PRACTICE

Individual home practice is an integral part of any musician's learning process, and is considered your homework in orchestra. It is very important to our orchestra that effort is being made by each student for learning individual parts outside of the classroom. **Class meetings and rehearsals are not to be used as a practice session, but as time for working out ensemble concerns.** The Allen Orchestra Program is successful because of the quality teaching you have received in the early years of your musical education. It becomes a superior orchestra when all of its members put hard work into it. The purpose of a rehearsal is to learn everyone else's part; never your own! Your own preparation is your welcoming gift to your colleagues. Just as in any other class, if there is a problem in the music that you cannot handle, please talk to your orchestra director about extra help.

PRIVATE LESSONS

In a program this large, it is impossible for the directors to meet the individual needs of each student. With private lessons, participating students can have the luxury of extra help on a one-to-one basis. Each lesson from the AISD program costs \$20.00 for a half-hour of instruction. It is up to students and parents to coordinate lessons which are off-campus and not a part of instruction during the school day. Applications and further information can be obtained from your orchestra director. Lesson slots and times are honored on a first-come-first-served basis. It would be to your benefit to register early as time slots and studios fill early.

A list of Private Lesson teachers is available at: <http://www.allenorchestra.org/private-lessons/>

COMPETITIONS

All students are encouraged to participate in competitions outside the scope of the orchestra experience. The Allen Orchestras have been represented well in these types of contests, and has enjoyed the successes of individual as well as collective performances. Many students elect to participate in the AISD Chamber Festival each spring. TMEA (Texas Music Educators Association) sponsors auditions for the Region XXV and All-State Orchestras

Students who are not enrolled in Allen High School Advanced Music do not receive extra grade points for participation in any of these activities - participation in any of these events may not interfere with any work that is required for the class. Students do receive credit in audition placements each Spring for their extra work. Students desiring extra help in preparing for these events should see your director to schedule an appointment.

ALLEN ORCHESTRA BOOSTER CLUB

The Orchestra Booster Club has one meeting each year in the beginning of the fall semester (Registration) and a meeting in the Spring Semester (Spring Trip Meeting.). At these meetings, it will be possible for parents to volunteer for committees such as chaperones, finance, transportation, etc. More information is available at <http://www.allenorchestra.org/boosters/>

MUSIC

All music performed by the Allen Orchestras is provided by the school district. Any music used for extra-curricular purposes is usually provided by the student or the organization (TMEA Region & All-State Orchestra, Solo & Ensemble, etc...). Originals are the property of the Allen Orchestra Program. Students are expected to take good care of the music. Markings should be made in soft lead pencil only. Any originals are collected during the first class following a performance. Photocopied music needs to be kept in a **black three-ring binder, provided by the school**. If music is missing, it is up to the student to obtain a copy of the music from a section member – it is not the director’s responsibility! After each performance, all photocopies are destroyed.

Each student is expected to have his or her own personal copy of the music at every class and/or rehearsal. Even when a stand partner’s copy of the music is being used, each student needs their personal copy of the music to make markings. Do not assume that if your stand partner’s music is marked, yours is as well. Furthermore, don’t assume that you will remember them next time. **Everyone needs to mark his or her music.** From time to time, there may be an unannounced grade given for your work in marking your music.

EQUIPMENT:

- Instrument (district provides cellos and basses for class use w/\$125 - student use fee grades 7-12)
- Electronic Tuner (district provides a tuner in class. Directors recommend all students have a personal tuner)
- Black 1" binder – district provided (dividers provided by student)
- Pencil (**at all times**)
- Mute
- Rosin for your instrument
- Soft cloth to wipe off instrument after each use
- Shoulder rest (violin/viola) - Cello Strap or Rock Stop (cello/bass)
- clipped fingernails on the left hand*

*Left hand fingernails must be kept short enough for students to use the tips of their fingers when holding down the string on the fingerboard. For most people, this means that the fingernails should not extend beyond the tip of the finger. Artificial or acrylic fingernails should not be worn unless they meet this description.

Label all personal instruments, accessories and materials with your name and school (name tags on cases)

INSTRUMENTS

A quality school orchestra program requires quality musical instruments. By the time a student in 8th or 9th grade, they will be expected to be using what is considered a step-up quality instrument and a quality wood (Pernambuco) bow. In most cases, these items will have been purchased during or after the eighth grade year. One advantage of owning such an instrument is that, in contrast to “starter” instruments which can depreciate in value, quality string instruments actually gain value as they age. Instruments and bows should not be in a color other than a traditional “wood” finish (or carbon for bows only)

Students are responsible for your instrument’s care and maintenance. Whether you own or rent an instrument, you are responsible for purchasing replacement strings (Dominant brand or D'Addario Pro Arte strings recommended.)

With all personal and school instruments, it is strongly recommended that the instrument be insured through a parent’s homeowner’s policy or a private company. **The school district will not assume liability for maintenance, repair, or damage of personal instruments on school property.**

In addition, students may obtain inexpensive coverage on a school or privately owned instrument from the Anderson Musical Instrument Insurance Solutions. Application forms for this insurance are available online at <http://www.anderson-group.com>.

INSTRUMENT LOAN – Cello/Bass

AISD and Allen High School owns cellos and basses that can be loaned to a student in grades 7-12 for a small charge. In order to use these, the student must pay an annual maintenance fee of \$125 per instrument, which includes insurance for the school-owned instrument.

In addition to the annual maintenance fee, it is the students’ responsibility to provide general upkeep to maintain the instrument in proper playing condition, including bow rehair and replacement of strings due to misuse. Please complete and return the AISD Orchestra Instrument Contract if loaned an instrument from AISD – form available at <http://www.allenorchestra.org/store>

INSTRUMENT LOCKERS

Lockers & Locks: Each student will be assigned a locker for their instrument. Students are responsible for the school issued lock. Replacement cost is \$10 for lost or damaged locks. Always put your instrument in your **LOCKED** locker when it is not in use.

STUDENT TRAVEL

Student travel with an AISD Orchestra is a privilege; you are representing not only the Orchestra program but Allen ISD when you travel as a group. Please follow the guidelines for travel below. Choosing not to comply with the following will result in a discipline referral at the student’s campus and possible removal from the Orchestra program.

- Your behavior in class determines your ability to participate in an Orchestra trip. Chronic behavior problems in class will result in the student to lose chance to travel with the Orchestra.
- Students who choose to participate in illegal activity (drugs, alcohol, shoplifting, vandalism) will be asked dismissed from the trip and must be picked up by a parent. These illegal activities could lead to possible arrest by the local police.
- Be respectful of all parents & teachers on the trip. When visiting a public venue, show kindness and respect to all employees of the business.

AHS/LOWERY ORCHESTRAS

Class Specific Information



UNIFORMS

For all concerts, students wear the appropriate uniform. Part of each performance grade is based upon how you wear your uniform -- neatness, alterations, cleanliness, etc. If there are any alterations needed to make your uniform look better, you may have them done provided that they are *temporary* alterations and no fabric is cut. The formal uniforms can be provided by the school district, **except for socks, hose and shoes**. Under no circumstances is anyone allowed to wear boots of any kind with the formal uniform. Informal uniforms are purchased by the student. AHS/LFC T-Shirts used for the informal uniform is included in the \$30 AHS/LFC Orchestra Fee.

Informal uniform for men and women: orchestra t-shirt shirt, blue jeans or khakis, shoes (no open toed footwear)

Ladies' formal uniform – student provided - *All Black*

Ankle length (LONG) **black** skirt, **black** dress pants, **black** dress blouse (dress blouse must be long sleeve or $\frac{3}{4}$ length sleeve),

Long Black dress (ankle length) with long sleeves (wrist length or $\frac{3}{4}$ length sleeve)

*If top has no sleeves, a **black** cover up or sweater **MUST** be worn as well

Black nylons, tights or black socks

Black formal dress shoes

Minimal or no jewelry

No sequins, rhinestones, pins, hats or other decorative items or accessories will be allowed. No sleeveless, short sleeve, strapless, spaghetti strap, halter or backless dresses or blouses, short skirts or skirts with side slits higher than the knee, jeans, hip-hugger pants, crop pants, low-cut tops or dresses will be permitted on stage. Musicians who are not in compliance will be asked to contact parents to provide appropriate concert dress prior to concert time. If it is not possible to provide appropriate concert dress, the musician may not be allowed to perform or may be required to wear concert attire provided by the Allen ISD. Participation grades will be affected when concert uniform requirements are not met

Or

Ladies' formal uniform – provided by Allen ISD

Men's' formal uniform: black tuxedo jacket and pants, bow ties and cummerbunds, white tuxedo shirt (provided by Allen ISD)
black socks, black shoes (provided by student)

LETTER AWARDS

A jacket will be presented to senior students who have served the high school orchestra program well. Students must have participated in the orchestra program from the time of his/her enrollment in high school before his/her senior year and must participate through graduation of his/her senior year. Students will attend all performances and UIL activities. Exceptions will be granted at the discretion of the orchestra director (illness, deaths, etc.). Students not adhering to written disciplinary policies of the school and orchestra will forfeit their eligibility for the senior award jacket. Any violation of these rules during their senior year may result in the forfeiture of the jacket. The student must uphold the goals and standards of the orchestra. It is understood that withdrawal or dismissal from the orchestra prior to graduation of his/her senior year results in forfeiture of the jacket. One additional way to earn a letter jacket is to audition at TMEA Area Orchestra Competition and/or place in a TMEA All-State Orchestra. These students will be eligible to receive a letter jacket the following year regardless of classification.

OUT-OF-TOWN TRIPS

Every year, during the spring, the Allen HS Orchestra sponsors a trip to an out-of-town destination. The conductors and the leadership of the Allen HS Orchestra are committed to pursuing more of these trips each year. Details of the Spring Trip will be shared as soon as the information is available – online at <http://allenorchestra.org/schools/ahslfc/>

- Students must meet all local and state eligibility requirements to participate in the Spring Trip
- Students who are ineligible may not travel with the orchestra
- Students must be able to satisfactorily perform the material assigned for the Spring Trip performance
- Students must have attended scheduled rehearsals
- Students must fulfill their financial & trip contract obligations to the organization
- *Please refer to the “Student Travel” section in the District Orchestra Handbook for more information*

ADVANCED MUSIC COURSE

2018-19

AHS ONLY - open to 10th grade (4.5 credit) and 11-12 grade students (5.0 credit)

This course is designed to allow students the opportunity to extend their musical education in an enriched, independent curriculum for college readiness. Students must demonstrate a higher level of musical understanding and be able to perform at the highest possible level both as an individual and as a member an ensemble. Students will be expected to demonstrate a high level of critical listening, musical understanding, technical ability, knowledge of the theoretical and historical foundations of compositions and present information in a well-written academic manner. This course is designed for students with elevated performance, communication and/or cognitive skills. Due to the independent nature of this course, students who elect to pursue honors credit should be self-motivated and responsible. All assignments will be completed independently within the time-line provided by the instructor through the Allen ISD Canvas system. Note that this is not a separate class, but rather an additional layer added to the classes offered above.

2018-2019 Allen ISD Orchestra Handbook Acknowledgement Form

Student Name: _____ Student school e-mail: _____

Parent Name: _____ Parent e-mail: _____

Campus: _____ Grade: _____ Instrument: _____

Parents, please initial by each section to indicate that you understand and agree to each section of the Allen ISD Orchestra Handbook.

_____ 1. Orchestra Handbook Statement:

I have read the Allen ISD Orchestra Handbook and understand the policies and expectations of the Orchestra. I understand that I need to return this form by Friday, August 24, 2018. <http://www.allenorchestra.org/schools/ahslfc>

_____ 2. Medical Release Form:

I agree that my son/daughter be allowed to travel to and from the events attended by the Allen ISD Orchestra during this school year and to participate in these events. I understand that I need to return this mandatory form by Friday, August 24, 2018.

<http://www.allenorchestra.org/files/AllenISDPerformingArtsMedicalForm.pdf>

_____ 3. Orchestra Calendar:

I have reviewed the calendar. All dates and times are subject to change. Notice of such changes will be given well in advance and will be announced in class. <http://www.allenorchestra.org/calendar/>

_____ 4. Instrument Rental (Cello/Bass players):

I understand rental for a school-owned cello or bass for school use is \$125.00 (tax included). I have returned the Cello/Bass contract and made payment for rental. I understand that I need to return this contract and pay by Friday, August 24, 2018. <http://allenorchestra.org/store/>

_____ 5. Allen ISD Supplemental Music Lesson Program:

I have read and understand the information regarding the private lesson program and have completed the online private lesson request form if I wish to enroll in private lessons during my orchestra class.

<http://www.allenorchestra.org/private-lessons/>

_____ 6. Insurance Release:

I understand the insurance for my child's personal instrument is available, for a fee, through Anderson Musical Instrument Insurance Solutions. Application forms for this insurance are available online at <http://www.anderson-group.com>. I also understand personal instruments must have identification (tags) on the instrument case. <http://allenorchestra.org/instruments/>

_____ 7. Charms:

I understand that the Allen ISD Orchestra Program uses Charms for Communication to Parents and Students. I will update all Current Contact Information in Charms for the 2018-19 School Year. <http://allenorchestra.org/charms/>

_____ 8. Uniform/Fee:

I understand Orchestra has an informal and formal uniform – stated in the [HS Orchestra Handbook](#). I understand that I need to pay by Friday, August 24, 2018 the \$30.00 HS Orchestra Fee, which includes the informal t-shirt and returned the form. I have also purchased a formal uniform or will receive a school issued uniform as required in the handbook.

<http://allenorchestra.org/store/>

_____ 8. Spring Trip:

I understand the HS and LFC Orchestra may attend the optional Los Angeles Spring Trip on March 8-12, 2019. If attending, I agree to make payments by the specified dates. Failure to meet payment deadlines could result in forfeiture of trip reservation and loss of payments. Total cost of the trip will be \$1450, based on **four students per room**. Adult Chaperones will be 2 to a room. The \$300 1st deposit is **non-refundable**. If a student is ineligible during the time period of our trip, he/she cannot attend and will result in a forfeiture of funds.

<http://www.allenorchestra.org/schools/ahslfc>

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____



ALLEN ORCHESTRA HIGH SCHOOL & FRESHMAN CENTER T-SHIRT - ORDER FORM

NAME OF STUDENT

SCHOOL

PARENT EMAIL

All Orchestra T-Shirts will display HS Orchestra Spirit Wear. The sizes correspond to typical T-Shirt Sizes at Penny's or Walmart. Please choose sizes carefully – shirts cannot be exchanged. Orders will not be processed until full payment is received. Please indicate the size clearly on this form. Family and friends are welcome to purchase shirts as Spirit Wear. Students in Orchestra will wear the shirts for performances and other activities.

Indicate number of shirts:

___ ADULT SMALL ___ ADULT MEDIUM ___ ADULT LARGE ___ ADULT EXTRA LARGE

HS Orchestra Fee - \$30.00
(Fee includes T-Shirt, binder, dividers)

Please make checks payable to AISD.

PLEASE WRITE YOUR DRIVERS LICENSE NUMBER ON THE CHECK.

OR, PAY ONLINE at www.allenorchestra.org/store (*preferred method of payment*)

High School Orchestra Fees are DUE BY – AUGUST 24, 2018

Please select one of the following. If paying online, include the transaction number.

Circle payment option: Return to HS/FC Director
(Enclose this order form
in envelope.)

online payment is preferred

Online Payment - www.allenorchestra.org/store
(Return this order form to your orchestra director.)

Transaction #: _____

ALLEN ISD PERFORMING ARTS PERMISSION AND EMERGENCY RELEASE

As part of its educational program, the Allen Independent School District ("AISD") has organized a variety of educational and learning activities and trips in which your child will have an opportunity to participate. These trips and activities are designed to benefit students by providing unique learning experiences and exposure to new and different people and places in a supervised setting. School personnel will keep you informed of the upcoming activities in which your child will have the opportunity to participate.

I, the undersigned, the parent and/or legal guardian of the student identified below, a minor, hereby acknowledge that said minor is presently under my care, custody and control. I hereby give the student identified below my express permission to travel with school personnel on the educational enrichment activities and trips the school has planned and to participate in all scheduled activities involved in the trip or activity.

In the event of an emergency necessitating medical attention to the student identified below, I hereby authorize that treatment be given by qualified and licensed medical personnel. I understand that I will be notified as soon as possible and that all expenses incurred in treatment will be assumed either directly by me or by my insurance coverage as noted.

I acknowledge that liability of AISD, the AISD Board of Trustees, and any agents, employees, representatives, insurers, successors, and assignees of the entities just named, is narrowly defined and extremely limited by Texas law and local policy.

HEALTH AND MEDICAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Student's Name: _____ Sex _____ Age _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____
Last First MI

Present Address: _____
Street City Zip

Parent or Legal Guardian: _____ Home Telephone: _____ Cell Phone#: _____

Other responsible party: _____ Home Telephone: _____ Business Telephone: _____

Health Insurance Co.: _____ Policy Number: _____ Health Ins. Tel. # _____

Medical History of Student: (Please check Yes or No)	** Please check medication your child can receive							
	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
Diabetes	____	____	Dizziness	____	____	Acetaminophen (Tylenol)	____	____
Drug Allergies	____	____	Convulsions	____	____	Ibuprofen (Advil)	____	____
Asthma	____	____	High Blood Pressure	____	____	Throat Lozenges/cough drops	____	____
Epilepsy	____	____	Heart Disease	____	____	Antacids (Tums)	____	____
Fainting Spells	____	____	Stomach Disorder	____	____	Lotions, Creams, ointments	____	____
Kidney Disease	____	____	Hay Fever	____	____	Diphenhydramine (Benadryl)	____	____
Liver Disease	____	____						
						Parent/Guardian Signature		

Surgery/ies (within the last year): _____

Emotional problem (i.e. hyperventilation, hysteria): _____

Serious medical problems not mentioned above: _____

Tetanus (last injection date): _____ Allergies to drugs: _____

Allergies to foods & other agents: _____

List ANY medications the student might have cause to use on a trip (i.e. anti-convulsive, anti-histamine, insulin, any tranquilizer, etc.)

Please describe any medical/mental problems which the student might have which have not been covered on this form and about which you think the directors should know. _____

STUDENT/PARENT AUTHORIZATION & RELEASE
FOR OFF-CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

The Allen Independent School District (“AISD”) offers a variety of learning activities at designated off-campus locations in which students will have an opportunity to participate. I hereby give permission for my son/daughter to participate in the various off-campus activities associated with the Allen Performing Arts program. I understand that AISD may not provide transportation to and from all activities. Students are expected to use school transportation to and from ALL activities, if provided. In the event that AISD does not provide such transportation, I further understand that I must provide transportation for my son/daughter as a condition of his/her participation in that activity.

In consideration for allowing my son/daughter to participate in off-campus activities, I knowingly and voluntarily agree to assume full responsibility and assume all risk for any accident, loss, damage, and injuries he or she may sustain as a result of or arising out of any aspect of the activity. Furthermore, I, on behalf of myself, my son/daughter named below, our respective family members, and our respective heirs, legatees, executors, administrators, and assignees, hereby agree to release, acquit, discharge, and hold harmless AISD, the AISD Board of Trustees, and any agents, employees, representatives, insurers, successors, and assignees of the entities just named from any and all claims, demands, liabilities, actions or causes of action, of whatever kind or character, whether known or unknown, whether arising out of federal, state, or local statute or common law, including claims resulting from negligence, that I or my son/daughter may sustain arising out of any aspect of the off-campus activity, including, but not limited to, driving or riding to or from the off-campus activity.

PARENT/GUARDIAN – STUDENT RELEASE & AGREEMENT

I HAVE **DISCUSSED** AND **REVIEWED** ALL THE INFORMATION IN THE HANDBOOK WITH MY SON/DAUGHTER, AND I UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS AND MY RESPONSIBILITY AS TO THESE POLICIES AND CONDITIONS. MY SON/DAUGHTER HAS MY PERMISSION TO ATTEND DISTRICT AND OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRIPS AND SCHOOL-SPONSORED EXTRA-CURRICULAR AND CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES. I UNDERSTAND THAT ALLEN ISD AND ALLEN HIGH SCHOOL WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR INJURIES AND MEDICAL COST FOR STUDENTS. MY SIGNATURE ALSO SERVES AS PERMISSION FOR MY SON/DAUGHTER TO OBTAIN MEDICAL TREATMENT ON A SCHOOL-SPONSORED TRIP.

Student Name (PRINT)

Parent/Guardian Name (PRINT)

Student SIGNATURE

Parent/Guardian SIGNATURE

Date

Date

membership application **JOIN TODAY**

ALLEN ORCHESTRA BOOSTER CLUB – MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



ALLEN
Booster Club
ORCHESTRA
2018-2019

We are looking forward to an exciting year but we need your help! The AOBC acts as a 'Boosters' group for the orchestra program by raising funds for various things needed throughout the year as well as planning and coordinating many events throughout the concert season. This membership drive is our main source of funding replacing the need for your students to sell items door to door, so please give us your support! AOBC funds many aspects of the orchestra program, such as the concert receptions, various scholarships for students, student events, and the High School End-of-Year Awards Banquet.

Name(s) of Parent/Guardian/Adult:

Student Information:

1) _____

1) Student: _____

(First, Last)

Grade: _____ School: _____ Instrument _____

2) _____

2) Student: _____

(First, Last)

Grade: _____ School: _____ Instrument _____

Parent E-mail Address: _____

Student School E-mail Address: _____

How do you wish your name to appear in the concert programs?

- The _____ Family
- The family of _____ (student's name)
- Mr. & Mrs. _____
- Other: _____
- Please do not list my name in the 2018-2019 Concert Programs

Membership Levels

- Eagle Strings \$10+
- Silver Bow \$25+
- Golden Strings \$50+
- Platinum Strings \$75+
- Section Sponsor \$125+
- Orchestra Benefactor \$250+
- Lifetime Member \$500+
- One time gift (any amount) _____

Amount Paid \$ _____ Cash (Circle) or Check # _____ Name on Check _____

Please mail donation to: **Allen Orchestra Booster Club, PO BOX 2021, Allen, Texas, 75013**

Online Payments through PayPal are available at: <http://www.allenorchestra.org/boosters>

(if paying by PayPal, please complete and send this form by mail or email: aobc.president@allenorchestra.org)

Available to volunteer for Allen Orchestra Events (Circle) Yes No