

Dear Band and Orchestra Families,

As a student in the Frost Middle School Instrumental Music Program, your son/daughter will have many opportunities to perform this year. One opportunity is at Solo and Ensemble Festival at Franklin High School (Livonia). This event takes place once a year, **Saturday, February 10th 2018**. I encourage all students to consider participation in these events as they provide a wonderful opportunity for individual growth on their instruments.

Solo & Ensemble Festival is an opportunity for individual students to perform a classical selection of their choice for adjudication. Each student or group of students is evaluated by one judge and rated on a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being the highest rating possible. Along with a rating, students will receive valuable information on how to be a better musician and tips on improving their playing skills. Participating students that earn a rating of 1 or 2 at District will receive a medal. Students working with a private teacher, your private teacher should be able to pick out a piece for you, if you need help picking out music, see Mr. Rais.

Important guidelines in choosing music for Solo and Ensemble:

- Music must be at least minimum 1 1/2 minutes in length
- Must provide an original copy for the judge to view
- Measures must be numbered (I recommend lightly in pencil)
- If solo calls for piano accompaniment, then soloist must play with a piano accompaniment! All pieces must be cleared with Mr. Rais.
- Music selection must be classical and published, NO movie or pop selections
- **Absolutely NO forms will be accepted after Monday Oct. 30, this is time sensitive material.**

Fees for Solo and Ensemble:

Solo	\$10.00
Piano Solo	\$20.00
Duet	\$16.00 (\$8.00 per member)
Trio	\$24.00 (\$8.00 per member)
Quartet	\$32.00 (\$8.00 per member)

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Please turn in money and form by **Monday, October 30th 2017** in a sealed envelope with the students name and Solo and Ensemble on the front. **Checks made payable to: Frost Middle School**, Cash is accepted.

Students Name: _____

Instrument: _____

Event Type (please circle): Solo Piano Solo Duet Trio Quartet

Preferred performance time: Early Middle Late

Names of Other Students in Ensemble and their instruments:

- _____
- _____
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Amount of Money enclosed _____

Please fill out ONE sheet per event. This will help make events more organized. Thank you.

*If you cannot make it to S&E for any reason, there are NO refunds for this event.

Times are approximate to Early, Middle and Late. You cannot request a specific time (i.e. 9:30am)