

2023 Elementary All County Orchestra Honors Concert

Dear Elementary Music Colleagues,

The Pinellas County Music Educators Association presents the Elementary All-County Honors Concert each year. This special concert provides a wonderful opportunity for your outstanding choral and instrumental students to gain experience and perform under the direction of guest clinicians. This year's concert will feature the All-County Elementary, Middle, and High School Orchestra Ensembles on February 4, 2023.

Steven Visnage, String specialist from Perkins Elementary will be our clinician this year.

Dates and Locations:

- The Concert will be performed Saturday, February 4, 2023, at the Palladium Theater in St. Petersburg.
 - The On-Site Rehearsal will be held in the morning before the concert.
 - The first mass rehearsal will be on Thursday, January 19 from 6:00 -8:00 PM at Eisenhower Elementary in Clearwater.
 - The second mass rehearsal will be on Thursday, January 26 from 6:00 – 8:00 PM at Eisenhower Elementary in Clearwater.
 - The third mass rehearsal will be on Wednesday, February 2 from 6:00 – 8:00 PM at Eisenhower Elementary in Clearwater.
 - **ALL MUSIC MUST BE MEMORIZED BY THE FIRST REHEARSAL.**
- Please review the responsibilities of the Music Specialist. It is important that we strive to create a quality musical experience for the students. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email us.

Sincerely,
Blair Duffy, Elizabeth Dykes
Elementary All-County Coordinators

Music Specialist's Responsibilities

- Attend all rehearsals with students. *(If you are unable to attend, a representative from your faculty must be in attendance.)*
- Be responsible for your students' behavior throughout all rehearsals.
- Make CD's and/or digital copies accessible for your students to rehearse.
- Communicate with parents regarding drop-off and pick-up times for rehearsals and the concert.
- Perform your assigned job during rehearsals and the concert.
- Return all forms by the deadlines in order to allow adequate preparation time for each phase.
- Attend Teacher Read-Through on Thursday, November 17, 2022.

2023 Elementary All County Orchestra Honors Concert

Dates and Locations

Rehearsal venue:

Eisenhower Elementary

2800 Drew Street
Clearwater, FL 33759

Rehearsal dates and times

Thursday, January 19, 2023 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Thursday, January 26, 2023 6:00 – 8:00PM

Thursday, February 2, 2023 6:00 – 8:00PM

Concert Venue

The Palladium St. Pete

253 5th Ave. N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33701

727-822-3590

Student Call Times: February 4, 2023

- TBA

Performance: February 4, 2023, TBA

Proper Concert Attire

- White dress shirt or blouse (no t-shirts)
- Black pants/skirts (no shorts)
- Dark sock/stockings and flat shoes

Students should wear comfortable clothing to all rehearsals including the on-site rehearsal. Concert attire is required only for the **Final Performance, Saturday, February 4, 2023**. Students will wear their concert attire to the theater as there will not be adequate time and facilities to change.

2023 ELEMENTARY ALL COUNTY HONORS CONCERT

Orchestra

Music Specialist Responsibilities:

- Attend all rehearsals with students.
- Be responsible for your students' behavior throughout all rehearsals.
- Make sure students know their parts prior to the first rehearsal.
- Communicate with parents regarding drop-off/pick-up times for rehearsals and concert.

Student Audition Criteria:

- Enjoy playing and have a team attitude.
- Be reliable and punctual.
- Play with good tone.
- Demonstrate ability to maintain pitch.
- Perform the following:



Vision:
100% Student Success

Mission:
"Educate and prepare each student for college, career and life."

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Dear Parents of _____,

Congratulations! Your child has been selected to participate in the 2022 Elementary All-County Honors Concert sponsored by Pinellas County Schools and Pinellas County Music Educators Association.

Attendance for rehearsals and final performances is a requirement for every All-County Honors participant. Music teachers will have rehearsals at their individual schools as well as have rehearsals with all students within a particular Honors Ensemble.

While at rehearsals and performances, ensemble participants are expected to exhibit appropriate behavior. Please refer to the succeeding pages for information regarding specific:

1. Rehearsal times and locations
2. Performance times and locations
3. Commitment/behavior expectations
4. Rehearsal and Concert Etiquette
5. Proper dress for performance
6. Parent consent form If you feel you and/or your child cannot fulfill this commitment, please notify your

child's music teacher as soon as possible. Timely notification will allow another child the opportunity to participate in this wonderful ensemble. We are looking forward to a very musical, exciting and educational experience for your child. You have a right to be proud!

Sincerely,
Pinellas County Music Educators Association

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_____ Yes, my child will be happy to be involved in this year's Elementary All County Orchestra
_____ No, my child will not be able to participate this year.

Student's Name: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Parent's Email address: _____

All County Concerts are produced through a partnership between:



Pinellas All-County Participant Agreement

Name: _____

Ethnicity: (Completion optional) Black ___ White ___
Asian ___ Hispanic ___ Other ___

School: _____ Grade: _____

If chosen for the All County Ensemble, I agree to the following:

- I will attend ALL rehearsals and the concert.
- I understand if I am excessively late or absent I may be dismissed from the ensemble.
- I will arrange transportation to all events.
- I will practice my part before the rehearsals so that rehearsals can be highly productive.
- I will act appropriately following all school rules while participating in all All-County events.

Release for Media

The signatures below grant permission to reproduce, print, or publish photographs or audio/video recordings of my minor student if selected to an All-County performing ensemble. This permission includes all rehearsals, activities, and performances connected with the All-County ensembles. I also acknowledge my child's name will be published in the All-County Concert program and will appear in lists of All-County students on a website available to PCMEA members.

Student's Signature

Parent's Signature

Parent's Phone Number

Emergency Contact Name

Emergency Contact Phone #

Parent's Email

Music Teacher Section

I am recommending that the above student participate in or audition for the All-County Ensemble. I am confirming that the student is enrolled and participates regularly in the school based ensemble. I have confirmed that the student is well prepared for the audition/rehearsals. I agree to attend **ALL** clinician-run rehearsals to supervise students from my school. If I cannot attend, I will send a representative (faculty, staff, or administration - **not parents**) from my school to monitor rehearsals. If there is no school representative, I understand that my student will not be able to attend rehearsals and may be dismissed from the group. I will attend both audition and sectional rehearsals prepared to work. If I do not attend both, I understand my students will not be allowed to participate in the All-County Ensembles.

Director's Signature: _____ Date: _____

This form must be turned in to your music teacher by the specified due date to participate.

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Rehearsal venue:

Eisenhower Elementary

2800 Drew Street,
Clearwater, FL 33759

Orchestra Rehearsal dates and times

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Thursday, January 26, 2023 6:00 – 8:00PM

Thursday, February 2, 2023 6:00 – 8:00PM

Concert venue: **The Palladium St. Petersburg**

253 5th Ave. N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33701

727-822-3590

Student Call Times: February 4, 2022

- TBA

Performance: February 4, 2023, 12:30 PM

Proper Concert Attire

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- Black pants/skirts (no shorts)
- Dark sock/stockings and flat shoes

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Performer Etiquette

In order for your child to have a truly meaningful musical experience with the **Elementary All County Honors Concert**, we remind you of the following:

1. *Please attend all rehearsals on time.*
 2. *Performers should wear comfortable shoes since they will be standing for part of the rehearsal time.*
 3. *Food, drinks, candy nor gum is permitted at the rehearsals or concert.*
 4. *Since rehearsal time is so valuable, please refrain from conversing in the rehearsal/concert hall.*
 5. *Please turn off all electronic devices before entering the rehearsal/concert hall.*
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2023 ELEMENTARY ALL COUNTY HONORS CONCERT Orchestra

Congratulations! Your child has been selected for the All-County Honors Orchestra.

Attendance for all rehearsals and the final performance is a requirement for every All-County participant. The Honors Orchestra is an auditioned group and your child's music teacher will have rehearsals at their own school. All students will also have two mass rehearsals and a dress rehearsal as an ensemble. These are listed below. While at the rehearsals and performance, each member is expected to exhibit appropriate behavior.

This year's choral conductor is Mrs. Elizabeth Richter, Music Director at Cypress Woods Elementary School in Palm Harbor, Pinellas County.

Orchestra Rehearsal Dates and Times:

Thursday, January 19, 2023, 6:00 – 8:00 PM at Eisenhower Elementary

Thursday, January 26, 2023, 6:00 – 8:00 PM at Eisenhower Elementary

Thursday, February 2, 2022, 6:00 – 8:00 PM at Eisenhower Elementary

On-Site Rehearsal:

Saturday, February 4, 2023, TBA AM The Palladium in St. Petersburg

Final Performance:

Saturday, February 4, 2023, TBA The Palladium in St. Petersburg
