

MUSIC

Makers

HANDBOOK 22-23

Director: Katherine Crumrine

ONLINE RESOURCES

- www.mandarinmusicmakers.com
- Flipgrid.com
- Remind.com
- Microsoft TEAMS
- FOCUS
- Voices in Concert text
- Or Essential Elements 2000
- Instagram
@mandarinmusicmakers
- Facebook: Mandarin Middle
School Music Makers

CONTACT INFO

Director Email:
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Chorus Room Phone:
(904) 455-3680
Rm 128

Chorus Parent Booster Email:
Boosters@mandarinmusicmakers.com

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Chorus, orchestra, & musical theatre classes at Mandarin Middle School are performance-based ensembles designed to give students the opportunity to develop and improve individual musical, vocal, and/or instrumental skills.

Since these ensembles are performance-based, students are required to attend all activities including after school rehearsals and performances for their ensembles. This occurs at least ONE TIME per quarter with a planned morning required rehearsal the morning of the performance.

More specific information about orchestra and musical theatre forms will be in checklist section at the end of the handbook and can be accessed on the website with the handbook.

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL FORMS BY AUGUST 26

GENERAL INFORMATION

MANDARINMUSICMAKERS.COM

MUSIC SELECTION

Director's choice

Variety of periods and styles

Expose students to many traditions.

Students may make suggestions to the director in writing – email is best.

MATERIALS

1. Folder with pockets and 3-hole center, preferably plastic or 1/2 binder
2. Pencil ONLY
3. Music
4. Instrument (Orchestra ONLY)

FUNDRAISING & MUSIC LAB FEE

- Each student is responsible for **Music Lab Fee \$40 DUE OCTOBER 7**
- This covers purchase of music, supplies, uniform, transportation, special event food, fees, incentives, piano tuning, etc.
- Fundraising is optional and available to all music students
- Fundraising this year starting in September
- Donations are WELCOME & ENCOURAGED
- Checks payable to **MMS Chorus Boosters or pay online**

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STUDENT OFFICERS

Director's choice

Recommendations from
rising 9th grade officers

President, Vice President,
Secretary, Historians,
Librarians, Member-at-large

Each class will also have
Section Leaders

INSTRUMENTS

Orchestra students will be
required to have instruments:

1. Own/Purchase
2. Rent from Music & Arts
3. Rent from MMS (\$35, can
use fundraising)

Students preferences considered
between violin, viola, cello, &
double bass

Previous experience and owning
the instrument given priority

UNIFORMS

- **All MUSIC MAKERS:**
 - Music Makers t-shirt
 - Blue jeans - NO HOLES
 - Closed-toe shoes - sneakers are allowed
- **Chorus 2 & 3, Orchestra FORMAL UNIFORMS:**
 - Formal: Black collar button-down, long-sleeved dress shirt, Black dress pants (no jeans), Black closed-toe shoes with back, Black socks and Black belt if wearing either.
 - Formal also includes bow tie and suspenders
- **Musical Theatre:**
 - Specific attire based on performances

GENERAL INFORMATION

MANDARINMUSICMAKERS.COM

MUSIC PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT

Annual Evaluation

Mandatory participation

All choirs and orchestras in our district participate in performance and sight-reading assessment

You must maintain 2.0 GPA to attend

MUSIC MAKER CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Respect others, including substitutes
2. Enter classroom quietly
3. No food or drink other than water
4. No Gum
5. Make everyone feel welcome
6. Leave all areas cleaner than you found them
7. Be flexible and open to new ideas and people

CALENDAR

An updated calendar will be posted on the website. This is a list of events so far and can change.

ALWAYS CHECK THE WEBSITE!

SEPTEMBER 7 6pm **Parent Booster Meeting** - Chorus Room

SEPTEMBER TBD **Performing Arts Department Fundraiser**

OCTOBER 21 7pm **Chorus and Musical Theatre Fall Concert** - MMS Auditorium

OCTOBER 28 7pm **Band and Orchestra Fall Concert**

DECEMBER 9 7pm **Music Department Winter Concert** - MMS Auditorium

JANUARY 27-28 **FVA Solo & Ensemble** - DASOTA

FEBRUARY 3-4 **DCPS Honor Choir** - Atlantic Coast HS

MARCH 2-3 **FVA Music Performance Assessment**

APRIL 28 7pm **Music Maker Spring Concert** - MMS Auditorium

MAY TBD **Music Maker Awards Banquet** - Cafeteria

Grading Policy

GRADING SCALE

100-90 A

89-80 B

79-70 C

69-60 D

59-0 F

Extra credit available upon request

PARTICIPATION

- **50% of your grade**
- Positive attitude
- Willingness to learn
- Demonstration of standards
- Musical talent is not a factor

ASSIGNMENTS, QUIZZES, & TESTS

20% of your grade

Tests, quizzes, and written work

PERFORMANCES

- **30% of your grade**
- Public performances are part of DCPS standards
- Each concert has a required dress rehearsal
- All rehearsals and performances are for a grade
- Appropriate concert etiquette is required to earn full credit

PRIORITIZED

PRACTICE/ REHEARSAL

Secondary

Must communicate conflict **in advance**

GAME/ PERFORMANCE

Primary

Must communicate conflict **in advance**

MAKE-UP WORK

Available to replace a grade for conflicting event with **advanced communication**

MMS

Chorus Boosters

MUSIC VOLUNTEERS

WHAT WE DO

- Organization
- Ideas
- Fundraising opportunities
- Chaperones
- Money management
- Uniform assistance
- Sewing
- Costumes
- Ushers
- Construction

Membership meetings are **once a month** and will be posted in the email newsletters.

All parents and guardians welcome!

Contact Info:
Boosters@mandarinmusicmakers.com

OFFICERS NEEDED

We are always looking for assistance! From chaperoning to running events to ushering to food - we need to have a village!

WE STILL HAVE ROOM ON OUR
EXECUTIVE BOARD

Please consider becoming an officer - especially if you have a 6th or 7th grader this year!

CHAPERONES

Required for all off-campus performances and are encouraged for on-campus activities

We must have 1 chaperone per 10 students

All chaperones must be registered volunteers. This must be completed EVERY SCHOOL YEAR.

To register, please visit:
<https://dcps.duvalschools.org/domain/10569>

Mandarin Music Maker 2022-2023 Checklist:



Class materials

- PENCILS ONLY
- Chorus/Musical Theatre:
1/2 inch BLACK 3-ring
binder with pockets
- Brought in by August
26th

Program Website

www.mandarinmusicmakers.com

All classes

- Music Lab Fee \$40
- Handbook Page
completed online by
August 26th (Website
Handbook Page)
- Hole-free blue jeans
- Closed-toe shoes with
back (sneakers work)

Musical Theatre

- Parental Consent Form
(Website Handbook Page)
- Costuming as needed

7th & 8th grade Chorus

- Formal Uniforms

6th grade Chorus

- Do not need formal uniforms

Orchestra

- Students' instruments will be assigned
with preferences in mind
- Formal Uniforms
- Essential Elements for Strings Book 1
- Strings accessoires depend on
instrument:
 - Shoulder rest
 - Rock stop
 - Rosin
 - Soft cloth