



Dear Parent,

Welcome! Your child, _____ has expressed an interest in participating in the **2016 All-County Music Festival**, to be held **March 11 and 12 at Fortuna HS**. This festival is comprised of outstanding young musicians throughout Humboldt and Del Norte Counties. Your child is eligible to be recommended for this festival because of his/her excellent individual musicianship, dedication to group goals, and positive attitude. Students can look forward to an enriching musical experience under the direction of our guest conductors.

The rehearsals are listed below. Please note that transportation is up to each school and/or parents and details will be given to you closer to the festival date.

Friday, March 11 from 1:00-5:00 at Fortuna HS. Saturday, March 12 from 10:00-4:00 or 5:00 (dependent on ensemble), with a one-hour break for lunch. The FHS boosters will be offering snacks and lunch for sale or students can bring their own. (There will be a vegetarian option). There will be about 2 hours for dinner and change into concert clothing, depending on the group and need for sound check, etc.

The concert is at 7:00; admission is by donation, with a **\$5.00 donation requested** to help cover the considerable cost of putting on this marvelous event. No one will be turned away due to financial reasons. Please stay for the entire performance; there will be no intermission so the concert will last about an hour and 45 minutes.

Concert attire: White shirt/top and black pants/knee-length skirt for junior groups. Senior groups- School concert uniform or Men: black suit or black button shirt, black slacks (no jeans), black socks and dress shoes. Women: modest black dress, or modest black skirt and blouse, or black slacks and black blouse, black hose and black dress shoes.

Participation in the Festival gives students the opportunity to perform with other proficient and dedicated musicians under the direction of an outstanding conductor. Such an experience can be an inspiration and a life-long memory. To ensure the success of the group it is critical that students commit to attending ALL rehearsals and the performance. By signing below, you and your child agree that all rehearsals and the performance will be attended.

Sincerely,

Music teacher

Tear off and return to the music teacher. Deadline: Wednesday, January 13.

My child, _____ wishes to be nominated for participation in the All-County Music Festival. We understand that **attendance is mandatory** at all rehearsals and performance.

Name of student (please print) _____

Parent signature _____

Emergency phone number _____ School _____

