

STRINGS & THINGS



*Welcome to the May 2016 issue
of the Edwardsville Orchestra Booster's
newsletter.*

The Edwardsville Orchestra Boosters (EOB) is an organization that exists for the benefit of and to help promote the Edwardsville Orchestra program and its students in grades 4 – 12.

The information in this newsletter is meant to recap recent events, remind you of upcoming events, and celebrate the orchestra program at ECUSD7.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

BOOSTER MEETING: Please join us for our end-of-the-year booster meeting, where we will discuss:

- End-of-the-year financial standing
- Committee chair openings
- Registration staffing plans
- Fall Fundraiser

Monday, May 16, 2016 ~~~ 7:00 p.m. in the EHS Orchestra Room

JUNE

SUMMER ORCHESTRA CAMP: All district 7 Orchestra students are invited to participate in the District 7 Summer Orchestra Camp. See “Summer String Camps” below for registration information.

Mon - Wed, June 14-16, 2016 ~~~ 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the EHS Orchestra Room

JULY

REGISTRATION: Stop by the Orchestra table at each school to take care of all of your beginning-of-the-year Orchestra To-Dos!

We will be answering parent questions and distributing:

- Handbooks
- Orchestra Schedules
- Instrument Rental Forms
- School Orchestra Shirt Order Forms

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| ELEMENTARY | Wednesday | July 27 | 12:00 – 7:00 p.m. |
| MIDDLE SCHOOL | Tues-Thurs | July 26,27,28 | 1:00 - 7:00 p.m. |
| HIGH SCHOOL | Tuesday | July 26 | 12:00 – 7:00 p.m. |
| | Wed. – Fri. | July 27,28,29 | 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. |
| | Monday | Aug. 1 | 12:00 – 7:00 p.m. |

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our graduating seniors.

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*We wish you well on your future endeavors.*



Kiersten Abernathy, Katie Akers, Claire Ashby, Katie Berry, Kacie Brown, Katie Edmonds, Monique Ferrell, LeAnne Hartwick, Jacob Levin, James Longos, Henry Lu, Clare Marth, Emma McClure, Kathleen McFarland, Grace Thompson, Kyndal Ward, Ellie Crabtree, Claire Fuesting, Sarah Schumacher, Ali Mefford, Abbie Schaefer, Ian Balakrishnan, Olivia Cho, Elliott Gianaris, Will Jeziorski, Aisha Muhammad, Jacob Paul, Hannah Wickham

Thank you to [SOUPER PHOTOGRAPHY](#) for taking the Senior portraits!

# Summer String Camps

## **EHS Summer Orchestra Camp**

June 14 – 16, 2016 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

<http://vvoudard.wix.com/ehs-orchestra>

## **Webster University String Camp**

June 13-17, 2016 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

<http://www.webster.edu/community-music-school/programs/string-orchestra-camp.html>

## **Blue Lake Suzuki Family Camp**

June 2016 – Multiple Sessions

<https://bluelake.org/suzuki/>

## **Illinois Summer Youth Music**

June 19-25, 2016

<http://isym.music.illinois.edu/programs/senior-high/orchestra.php>

## **Young Musicians Chamber Music Workshop**

July 5-9, 2016

<https://mya.org/summer/youngchamber.php>

## **Illinois Chamber Music Festival**

July 10-30, 2016

<http://www.ilchambermusicfestival.com/>

## **SIUE Suzuki String Camp**

July 19-22, 2016 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

<https://www.siue.edu/artsandsciences/music/community/index.shtml>

# Opportunities

## Belleville Philharmonic Youth Orchestra

Musicians, who have at least two years instrumental experience, are welcome to audition any time during the year.

For more information on performing with the Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, contact Julie Herr at [bellevilleyouthorchestra@gmail.com](mailto:bellevilleyouthorchestra@gmail.com) or call (618) 222-9218.

[www.bellevillephilharmonic.org/youth-orchestra.html](http://www.bellevillephilharmonic.org/youth-orchestra.html)



## Alton Youth & Jr. Youth Symphony

The Alton Youth Symphony was formed to further the musical opportunities for youth in grades 6-8.

The Alton Jr Youth Symphony is open to less experienced string players wanting to develop their musical talents by performing in an ensemble.

For more information: [www.altonyouthsymphony.org/index.html](http://www.altonyouthsymphony.org/index.html)



## Edwardsville Youth Orchestra

The Edwardsville Youth orchestra is a strings only chamber orchestra which performs original works from a variety of periods and styles. Emphasis will be on increasing ensemble skills, improving intonation and orchestra discipline.

For more information:

[www.siue.edu/artsandsciences/music/suzuki/edwardsville\\_youth\\_orchestra.shtml](http://www.siue.edu/artsandsciences/music/suzuki/edwardsville_youth_orchestra.shtml)

# BOOSTERS



**Watch for the next Booster Meeting:**

**Monday May 16, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the EHS Orchestra Room**

The primary focus of the meeting will be:  
End-of-year-purchases, Committee Chairs, school orchestra t-shirts and Fall fundraiser.  
Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

**We are in need of a new Committee Chairs!**  
**New members bring DIVERSITY, FRESH IDEAS & NEW ENERGY.**  
**If you are interested, email an officer**  
**Or come to our next meeting.**



## OFFICERS

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## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

**Fundraising:** Organize and facilitate one of our fundraisers.

**Website & Facebook Editor:** Maintain our presence on the internet.

**Newsletter Editor:** Publish orchestra news every other month.

**Membership:** Develop ideas to grow and maintain our membership.

**Nominating/Election:** Identify officer & committee chair candidates.



***For the latest information:***

**Visit us on the Web:** [orchestraboosters.com](http://orchestraboosters.com)

**Follow us on Facebook!** **Edwardsville Orchestra Boosters**





# THANK YOU

## Gateway Strings Violin Shop

Michael Kocher is the owner and Luthier of Gateway Strings Violin Shop. He has begun a new program, where he will log all the dollars spent by District 7 families on instrument purchases, rentals, repairs, re-hairs, etc. When we reach a spending “milestone”, he will donate a new instrument to District 7!

If you have a concern about your child’s instrument or have questions, he would be happy to meet with you.

(636) 393 – 8822 or [GATEWAYSTRINGS.COM](http://GATEWAYSTRINGS.COM)

*Don't forget to mention you are with District 7!!!*

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We would like to extend  
our gratitude to  
Scott Credit Union

THANK YOU for your ongoing sponsorship of the EOB and support of the District 7 Orchestra Program.



# 2015-16 Orchestra Schedule

## September

— 25 — ILMEA Workshop, SIUE (9 am — 1 pm) — EHS

26 — ~~Mum Sale~~

## October

— 4 — ~~Tour de Strings~~

— 8 — Fall Concert — EHS

— 12 — ~~ILMEA All-District Audition~~ — School

— 20 — ~~Fall Concert — Liberty~~

— 21 — ~~Fall Concert — Lincoln~~

— 31 — ~~ILMEA Workshop~~

## November

— 7 —

— 14 —

## December

— 1 —

— 1 —

— 2 —

— 10 —

## January

— 28-30 — ILMEA

## February

— 20 — U of

— 23 — Winte

## March

— 5 —

— 5 — IHSA Solo and Ensemble Contest — EHS

— 12 — ~~IGSMA Solo and Ensemble Contest — Elementary & Middle School~~

## April

— 2 — ~~Tiger Town Consortium (TTC) — 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Lincoln, Liberty, EHS~~

— 2 — ~~TTC raffle & silent auction~~

— 21 — ~~Spring Concert — 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Elementary~~

— 26 — ~~Spring Concert — Lincoln~~

— 28 — ~~Spring Concert — Liberty~~

## May

— 4 — Spring Concert — EHS

Key: **fundraiser**, **Multi School Event**, **5<sup>th</sup> Grade**, **Liberty**, **Lincoln**, **EHS**