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Dear Parents and Students of the Lassiter Orchestra,

We are very excited about our upcoming educational opportunity in Washington D.C.! We hope that your students have shared the Trip Memo with you, along with the attached payment coupons, which can be found on www.lassiterorchestra.org. There will be a Washington DC Trip Information Meeting on **Monday, November 6**<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Orchestra Room. Please make plans to attend to hear about the details of the trip and to have all your questions answered.

All students enrolled in the full-year of orchestra are eligible to travel with the Lassiter Orchestra to Washington D.C. Students must be currently active in the program when the trip occurs and must be in good standing with the school and organization. Students must maintain exemplary grades and conduct throughout the school year to be permitted to participate in this tour with the Lassiter Orchestra. Because the deposits are due on October 20 *and are non-refundable*, it is imperative that the students maintain excellent discipline and grades throughout the year. There will be *no refund* given if a student is removed from the trip (prior to departure or during the event) due to a Cobb County School Board policy being broken. Please be aware that should an incident occur deemed by the directors severe enough that it warrants sending a student home, parents will be responsible for all transportation (including air craft fare) for their child and a chaperone to accompany them home. We encourage all of our students to be a part of this trip as we are traveling as The Lassiter Orchestra.

As we are finalizing plans for this trip, we are now in the stage of making down payments to all of our vendors (hotel, busses, tours, etc.). Please make payments with the appropriate payment coupon via check to the LHSOA and drop it in our lock box (located in the front of the orchestra room) or make a secure payment online by credit card on our website via PayPal at www.lassiterorchestra.org. The first payment is due on October 20th.

The LHSOA parent volunteer organization is in the midst of providing an opportunity to fundraise for the trip so that we may provide an avenue to assist financially with the cost of the trip. We have worked diligently to balance the cost of our trip so that we may provide an affordable educational and enriching opportunity for our students musicians in the orchestra program. We are looking forward to all of the experiences outlined in the Trip Memo and look forward to seeing you on Monday November 6 at 6:30pm in the Orchestra Room!

### Interested in chaperoning the trip?

If you are interested in chaperoning for this trip to Washington D.C. please write your name on the first coupon along with payment and submit into the lock box in the orchestra room. In addition, please send us an email at <a href="mailto:lassiterorchestras@gmail.com">lassiterorchestras@gmail.com</a>. Although the students will be in a quad occupancy, chaperones will be in a double occupancy while maintaining the same student price for the trip. ©

Thank you for your continued investment and support of the students, parents, and directors of the Lassiter Orchestra program! Many thanks go out to our wonderful parent volunteers on the LHSOA board! The LHSOA makes it possible for us to create educational opportunities and enrichment for our students to grow as better musicians and human beings.

Thank you,

Carol Doemel, Director of Orchestras Koji Mori Associate Director of Orchestras



# **2018 SPRING TRIP**

#### Parents and Students,

This letter is to inform you of our upcoming plans for the orchestra program participating in the Spring Trip on March 7<sup>th</sup> -March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The orchestra has been invited to perform in Washington D.C. and observe a rehearsal with the United States Army Orchestra (Pershing's Own) and receive an exclusive clinic at George Mason University.

### **The Itinerary Includes:**

### Washington D.C. Tour

- Depart on Wednesday evening (approx. 8PM)
  March 7<sup>th</sup> for Washington D.C. Return Sunday
  March 11<sup>th</sup> (Approx. 9:30AM)
- Breakfast en route to Washington D.C.
- Observation of the United States Army Orchestra (Pershing's Own)
- Performance in Washington D.C.
- Clinic with Guest Clinician at George Mason University
- Ticket to the National Symphony Orchestra
- Tour of the National Mall in Washington D.C.
- Tour of the Smithsonian Museums
- Illuminated Boat Tour of D.C. Memorials
- Mount Vernon Cruise
- All Meals
- All Fees, taxes and pre-paid gratuities
- All Transportation (His Majesty Coach)

### Who is eligible to participate in the trip?

Any student enrolled in the full-year of orchestra class is eligible. Students must be currently active in the program when the trip occurs and must be in good standing with the school and organization. I am aware that should an incident occur deemed by the directors severe enough that it warrants sending my child home, I am responsible for all transportation (including air craft fare) for my child. I am also aware that *NO REFUND* will be given if my child is removed due to a Cobb County School Board policy being broken. This unique performance opportunity will be a memorable experience for all involved. Students must maintain exemplary grades and conduct throughout the

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school year to be permitted to participate in this event. Because the deposits are due early, *and non-refundable*, it is imperative that the students maintain excellent discipline and grades throughout the year.

### What is the cost?

The cost is determined by the amount of people in each room. For students, we will sign-up four per room, so the quad occupancy cost of the trip will be: \$725\*.

### FIRST PAYMENT DUE OCTOBER 20, 2017

The initial non-refundable deposit for the trip has been extended to October 20, 2017. Because of this, each person intending on participating in the trip will need to make a \$200 deposit. This deposit is non-refundable and will be applied to your trip total.

Please pay online at <a href="www.lassiterorchestra.org">www.lassiterorchestra.org</a> or pay via check payable to <a href="LHSOA"><u>LHSOA</u></a> with your child's name (first and last) in the memo and turn in to the wooden lock box located in the front of the orchestra room, or mail them to:

### LHSOA

Attn: Spring DC Trip

P.O. Box 671345, Marietta, GA 30066

### **Payment Plan:**

\$200.00 – October 20, 2017 (non-refundable deposit)

\$200.00 – November 17, 2017

\$200.00 – December 15, 2017 (No refunds after Dec. 15)

\$125.00 – February 16, 2018 (Final Balance)

Carol Doemel Koji Mori

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Additional information will be posted on the Lassiter Orchestra Website at: www.lassiterorchestra.org



### Lassiter High School Orchestra Payment Coupons 2018 WASHINGTON, D.C. Trip March 7 – March 11, 2018

The trip cost per person is \$725.00. Payments may be made on the website through PayPal, or if you prefer, via check. Please include the appropriate payment stub below with your check made out to LHSOA and place it in the lock box at the front of the orchestra room.

**Be a chaperone!** Chaperones pay the student rate, double occupancy! Join the fun! Please write your name below on Payment #1 and email the orchestra directors ASAP to express interest at: lassiterorchestras@gmail.com

Payment #4 – Feb 16 - \$125 Pa Trip Cost: \$725 for Lassiter Orche		
This payment is subject to change	as details are finalized.	
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Remaining Balance: \$125		
Payment #2 – Nov 17- \$200 Trip Cost: \$725 for Lassiter Orche	Paid/	 Ck#
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Remaining Balance: \$325	Student:	_
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Parents: If you'd like to chaperone	e, please write your name:	(additional \$200)