



**FOSTER MUSIC CAMP**  
**HIGH SCHOOL BAND & STRING SECOND WEEK CAMP**  
**& HIGH SCHOOL CHORAL CAMP**  
**JUNE 23-28, 2024**  
**GENERAL INFORMATION FOR CAMPERS**

**Arrival To Camp**

**Resident Campers:** Arrive to register anytime between 1:00p.m. and 3:00 p.m. EDT on SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2024. Registration for all campers will take place in the **Foster Music Building Lobby** (directions/map included in this packet). Do **NOT** bring luggage into the Campbell Building. You will be able to drive your luggage to the dormitory **after** registration. Band/String campers should bring their instrument and audition music with you to registration. Registration after these hours is not permitted unless previously arranged by contacting the camp director.

**Commuter Campers:** Arrive for registration between 2:00pm and 3:00pm in the Foster Music Building Lobby (directions/map included in this packet). Once you are registered and have auditioned you should plan to stay for the 4pm rehearsal, dinner with the camp, and evening rehearsal 6:00pm-8:30pm. At 8:30pm you will be finished for the day and free to go home.

**Departure From Camp**

The final concerts for the Camp will be held on the final Friday. Resident campers may check out of the dormitory anytime from 2pm until immediately after the concert has ended.

**Payment Of Fees**

Please check your online account at [www.fostercamp.org](http://www.fostercamp.org) click "Account Login" for your most recent balance due prior to registration day.

Payment via **credit card is available ONLY online** and must be done prior to arrival at camp. **We are UNABLE to process credit cards on registration day.** Only checks (payable to Foster Music Camp) or cash are acceptable payment options ON registration day. We also recommend any last minute online payment receipts be brought with you (or take a screenshot) in the rare case of a discrepancy. If you need further assistance with payments please contact our camp director at [Ben.Walker@eku.edu](mailto:Ben.Walker@eku.edu)

All fees are due before or at registration for camp. Make checks payable to "Foster Music Camp."

**Auditions (Band and String Only)**

Students are requested to bring any materials that they deem appropriate for demonstrating their best skill levels. Performance of scales and/or sight-reading may be requested. We suggest contacting your local music instructor for guidance if you are unsure as to what music to audition with.

**Living Accommodations**

All Resident Campers will be housed in **Walters Hall**. Carefully selected and trained counselors will be present at all times to provide appropriate student supervision. Two students will be housed in each room. Roommates are assigned on the basis of age unless a request was made on your application. **Both roommates MUST request each other in order to be placed together.** **Changes in rooming assignments after the camp opens are not possible.** Each room is furnished with a desk, chair, dresser, and "long" size twin bed.

\*Note: Refrigerators are no longer available in each room. Students may bring a small portable one if they desire. If one is medically necessary, please contact the camp director prior to camp.

#### **Wifi Access**

Free guest wifi is available throughout campus. Connectivity and/or reliability is out of our control.

#### **Cell Phones**

Cell phone usage is not permitted during any musical activity such as rehearsals and/or recitals but is acceptable at other times. Students will be given further guidelines on cell phone usage upon arrival. Cell phones may be taken away at the discretion of the camp administration. Students will be given the opportunity to join Remind (or equivalent) texting service which we use to send camp updates throughout the day.

#### **Meals**

All Meals will be served in the University Cafeteria, Case Dining Hall. Meals are provided by Aramark and offer a variety of options for all dietary needs. Campers are welcome to bring their own items for any meals they wish. This can be stored in their dormitory room and may be retrieved before each meal.

Campers are encouraged to bring extra **cash** to purchase pizza and snacks/drinks each evening. (***Cash only - Cards and phone app payments are not accepted.***)

#### **Medical Attention**

Medical attention for campers while at the Stephen Collins Foster Music Camp will be available from two sources: 1) Richmond Instant Care Center (859-623-1950) or 2) Baptist Health Richmond (859-623-3131), our local hospital. Charges are based upon the type of services rendered. Charges will be billed directly to the parents who will be responsible for handling the insurance claims and costs. We make every effort to contact your listed emergency contacts before a child receives care except in emergency situations.

#### **Concert Dress (Vocal Camp ONLY)**

*VOCAL Campers need to bring the following for the final concert performance:*

**Men:** Black dress pants, black shoes and socks, along with a crisp/ironed white long-sleeved shirt with any color tie.

**Women:** May choose to wear either a long black dress, or black dress pants or black long skirt with black closed-toe shoes along with a black blouse.

#### **Voice Placement Audition**

While vocal camp does not have auditions for chairs, our vocal faculty need to hear each student's voice range for part assignments. This will be done at your last step in the registration process. Students do NOT need a prepared piece but only to be aware they will need to sing with our staff for a few minutes on registration day. This is not a formal audition and is only used in assigning the correct parts to each student.

#### **Spending Money**

Students are allowed to purchase snacks, soda, candy, stationery, T-shirts, sweatshirts and other campus memorabilia from Barnes & Noble ECU Bookstore. Students are also permitted to purchase pizza and snacks in the evening hours at the residence hall. (***Cash only - Cards and phone app payments are not accepted.***)

#### **Fully-Functioning Instrument**

In advance of camp check to ensure you have a fully-functioning instrument. Having repairs done during camp is often difficult and time-consuming, which causes students to miss valuable instruction. Have your local teacher or repair shop inspect your instrument prior to arrival. Remember extra reeds, valve oil, bow rosin, slide grease, etc...

#### **Contact Information**

Camp Director Email (checked frequently): [Ben.Walker@eku.edu](mailto:Ben.Walker@eku.edu)

Dormitory Walters Hall – 859-622-2074

Foster Camp Office - 859-622-3266 (8am – 4:00pm Mon-Fri)

EKU Campus Police - 859-622-1111 (**emergencies only** – worker on duty 24/7)

### **Mailing Address**

*“Snail” mail and/or care packages may be sent to campers at the following address:*

Foster Camp -

Attn: *Camper’s Name and Room #”*

**225 Park Drive**

**Richmond, KY 40475**

***(if the mail service you are using allows additional comments/instructions advise them that this mailing address is open to receive packages from 8am-5pm Monday through Friday)***

### **Visitor Policy**

Parents and visitors are required to check-in at the front desk of the dormitory upon arrival. Extensive experience teaches us that the camp program operates much more smoothly when visitations are limited. It must be understood that these visits need to be limited, preferably to concerts & recitals. Visitors other than parents are not allowed without a written note from the parents of the camper. The note must contain the visitor’s name and date of visit. We retain the right to end all visitations as deemed necessary via the camp director’s direction.

Visitors are not permitted to sign in/out a camper during any meal time. Our staff is unavailable during meal times and are unable to accommodate visitors during those times. Closer to date you will receive a detailed schedule alerting you to meal times.

Campers are not permitted to ride in automobiles during the camp period except with parents or to receive medical services. Please do not ask to go out to eat with someone other than your parents unless it is by prior written permission from your parents.

**No parents or visitor’s of any kind are permitted on the student dormitory floors EXCEPT during move in/out hours.** All visitors must remain in the front lobby or outside the dorm. You may drop off items at the dorm front desk for your child (except during meal times or after lights out). Items are to be bagged up and labeled with the campers name and room number.

The policy regarding outside visitors and leaving the campus has evolved over many years and is anchored in our desire to take every precaution to be certain that all campers are adequately supervised and safe during the camping period.

### **Leaving the Camp/Campus**

We do not encourage students leaving the camp during the camping period except in an emergency. Rehearsals and other activities are planned throughout the camping period. An exception to this policy is eating out with parents during parental visits to campus so long as the campers do not miss scheduled rehearsals or classes. Campers WILL NOT be permitted to leave campus with anyone unless pre-arranged with the Camp Director and permission is given in writing by the parents /guardians.

### **Student Drivers**

Resident Campers - Student drivers are not permitted.

Commuter Campers - Students drivers are permitted to drive to and from camp each day. Under no circumstance are they to allow other students in their vehicle. They must also arrive, park, stay the day until they wish to leave that afternoon, then leave and not return until the next morning. Going to and from camp numerous times throughout the day is not permitted.

### **Camp Rules and Regulations**

ALL REHEARSALS AND MUSIC CLASSES ARE MANDATORY unless due to illness. Illness should be reported immediately to camp staff. The use of controlled substances (drugs) and alcohol is prohibited in the camp. Anyone found using such substances will be expelled from the camp immediately and parents asked to remove them from campus. Students will be asked to report all prescription drugs they must take when they sign into the dorm. Our camp and University are smoke free (including e-cigs).

**Any damages to University and/or Camp property will be charged to the parents/guardians of the camper(s) involved.**

**Your cooperation will make for a better camping environment and experience for all who attend. Thank you in advance for your willingness to abide by the procedures of the camp.**

### **Refund Policy**

On extremely rare occasions campers may unexpectedly have to leave, or be removed, from the camp prior to the end of the scheduled camp date. Due to University policies beyond our control we CAN NOT refund any money for food or housing. Any refund must be approved by the Camp Administration and approved by the Camp Director. Amounts may vary by situation and thus our refund policy is at the sole discretion of the Foster Camp Administration.

### **Packing List for Campers**

- o Pillows
- o Blankets
- o Bed Sheets (dorm beds are "long twin size")
- o Towels
- o Toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothbrush, shower shoes/flip flops, etc..)
- o Clothes Hangers (if you wish to hang clothes)
- o Comfortable walking shoes (we walk across campus often)
- o Swimwear (we have indoor pool parties!!)
- o Everyday comfortable summer attire  
(no specific dress code, if anything is deemed inappropriate/offensive you will be asked to change)
- o Light Jacket/Sweater  
(some days, especially if rainy, can be chilly. Certain classrooms/dorm rooms can be chilly as well)
- o **ONE Dress-Up Outfit For Final Concert** (does NOT have to be concert black. No jeans, shorts, t-shirts please!)
- o Chargers for devices
- o Cash for camp store

All luggage and valuable personal property should carry a label or identification mark. This protects the student and it assists us in identifying and returning lost or forgotten articles.

### **Concerts Grand Finale Performance (Tentative Schedule)**

#### **Concerts/Performances**

*Campers will attend and/or participate in several Concerts and Ensembles. Upon arrival at Registration Parents/Guardians will be given a **Finalized** "Schedule of Events." Below you will find our **tentative** list of concerts and performance times. Campers will not be involved in every concert listed.*

- Tuesday*                      *6:00p.m. – Instrumental Solo/Honors Recital, Brock Auditorium*
- Thursday*                     *6:30p.m. – Guitar Camp Concert, Gifford Theatre*
- Friday*                         *GRAND FINALE CONCERTS, EKU Performing Arts Center (concerts run back-to-back; **times are estimated**)*
- 6:00p.m. – Choir*
- 6:30p.m. – Orchestra*
- 7:00p.m. – Band*
- 7:45p.m. – Grand Finale Concert (combined band/orchestra/choir)*

## **DIRECTIONS TO FOSTER MUSIC CAMP at Eastern Kentucky University**

**From Cincinnati, Ohio** Take I-75 South to Lexington, I-75 / I-64 (approximately 8 miles) to I-75 / I-64 split. Continue South on I-75 Richmond / Knoxville. Travel approximately 22 miles to Richmond and depart interstate at exit #87 (2<sup>nd</sup> Richmond exit). Make a left and cross over the interstate heading East on the Eastern bypass for one mile and you will see the main EKU campus on the left. Turn left onto Lancaster Ave. Turn right onto Crabbe Street. The first two buildings you come to are the Foster Music Building and Jane Campbell Building. Free parking is available directly across from both buildings. Registration is inside the front doors of the Jane Campbell Bldg.

**From Louisville, Kentucky** Take I-64 East to Lexington, I-75 / I-64 (approximately 8 miles) to I-75 / I-64 split. Continue South on I-75 Richmond / Knoxville. Travel approximately 22 miles to Richmond and depart interstate at exit #87 (2<sup>nd</sup> Richmond exit). Make a left and cross over the interstate heading East on the Eastern bypass for one mile and you will see the main EKU campus on the left. Turn left onto Lancaster Ave. Turn right onto Crabbe Street. The first two buildings you come to are the Foster Music Building and Jane Campbell Building. Free parking is available directly across from both buildings. Registration is inside the front doors of the Jane Campbell Bldg.

**From Lexington, Kentucky** Take I-75 South and travel approximately 22 miles to Richmond and depart interstate at exit #87 (2<sup>nd</sup> Richmond exit). Make a left and cross over the interstate heading East on the Eastern bypass for one mile and you will see the main EKU campus on the left. Turn left onto Lancaster Ave. Turn right onto Crabbe Street. The first two buildings you come to are the Foster Music Building and Jane Campbell Building. Free parking is available directly across from both buildings. Registration is inside the front doors of the Jane Campbell Bldg.

**From Bowling Green, Kentucky** Take I-65 North approximately 18 miles to exit #43 (Glasgow) and travel East on the Cumberland Parkway through Somerset to exit #41 on I-75. Travel North on I-75 for approximately 48 miles departing the interstate at exit #87. Turn right at the end of the off ramp and head East on the Eastern bypass for one mile and you will see the main EKU campus on the left. Turn left onto Lancaster Ave. Turn right onto Crabbe Street. The first two buildings you come to are the Foster Music Building and Jane Campbell Building. Free parking is available directly across from both buildings. Registration is inside the front doors of the Jane Campbell Bldg.

**From Knoxville, Tennessee** Take I-75 North approximately 162 miles departing the interstate at exit #87. Turn right at the end of the off ramp and head East on the Eastern bypass for one mile and you will see the main EKU campus on the left. Turn left onto Lancaster Ave. Turn right onto Crabbe Street. The first two buildings you come to are the Foster Music Building and Jane Campbell Building. Free parking is available directly across from both buildings. Registration is inside the front doors of the Jane Campbell Bldg.

For your directional assistance see the map below:

If using GPS,  
navigate to the  
EKU School of  
Music (Foster  
Building) at 2388  
Crabbe St.  
Richmond, KY  
40475

