

FOSTER MUSIC CAMP High School Vocal and Second Week Band & String Camp June 22-28, 2025 General Information for Campers

Arrival to Camp

Resident Campers:

- Registration: 1:00 PM 3:00 PM EDT on Sunday, June 22, 2025 at the Foster Music Building/EKU School Of Music (address listed later in packet)
- Do **not** bring luggage inside the Foster Music building—luggage can be transported to the dormitory after registration.
- Bring instrument and chair placement audition music to registration (band/string)
- A vocal placement will take place during this time (vocal camp). No required music, just an informal placement with our Choir Director/Camp Staff to assess your voice range.
- Late registration is **not permitted** unless arranged with the Camp Director in advance.

Commuter Campers:

- Registration: 2:00 PM 3:00 PM EDT at the Foster Music Building/EKU School of Music
- A vocal placement will take place during this time (vocal camp). No required music, just an informal placement with our Choir Director/Camp Staff to assess your voice range.
- Late registration is **not permitted** unless prearranged.
- Bring instrument and chair placement audition music to registration (band/string)
- After registration and auditions, campers are to stay for the 4:00 p.m. rehearsal, dinner, and the evening rehearsal (6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.) Commuter may leave at 8:30pm this day once rehearsal has ended

Departure from Camp

- Final concerts take place on Saturday, June 28, 2025.
- Resident campers may check out June 28 from 2:00 PM until immediately after the concert.

Payment of Fees

- Check your online account at www.fostercamp.org under "Account Login" for balance due.
- Credit card payments must be made before arrival (no on-site processing available).
- On registration day, we accept cash or checks payable to Foster Music Camp.
- Bring a payment receipt (or screenshot) for last-minute online payments.
- Questions? Contact Ben.Walker@eku.edu.

Auditions (Band & String Only)

- Bring music that showcases your skill level.
- You may be asked to play scales and/or sight-reading.
- Need help? Consult your local music instructor.

Vocal Solo Recital

- Vocal campers may audition (faculty approval required) to perform in the Student Solo Recital.
- Information will be sent out prior to camp starting allowing you to sign up for a solo audition and provide your music, including piano accompaniment if applicable.

Living Accommodations

- Resident campers stay at Walters Hall.
- Trained counselors provide supervision.
- Room Assignments: Two campers maximum per room. Based on age unless a mutual request was made two weeks prior to camp starting.
- Room Furnishings: Desk, chair, dresser, twin XL bed.
- Refrigerators are not provided (bring a small one if wanted/needed)

WiFi & Cell Phones

- Guest WiFi available but may be unreliable.
- No cell phones during rehearsals/recitals.
- Guidelines for phone use provided upon arrival.
- Camp updates via Remind texting service (instructions on how to join will be given upon arrival)

Meals

- Served at Case Dining Hall.
- Variety of dietary options available.
- Campers may bring personal food items for storage in their dorm rooms.
- Evening pizza and snack purchases require cash (cards/phone payments not accepted).

Medical Attention

- Available from:
 - Richmond Instant Care Center (859-623-1950)
 - o Baptist Health Richmond (859-623-3131)
- Medical costs billed directly to parents; parents handle insurance claims.
- Emergency contacts will be notified before medical treatment (except in urgent cases).

Concert Dress

Vocal Campers:

- Men: Black dress pants, black shoes/socks, white long-sleeved shirt, any color tie.
- Women: Long black dress OR black pants/skirt with black blouse and closed-toe shoes.

Band & String Campers:

• Concert dress required (not necessarily all black but often students will wear concert black). **No jeans, shorts, or t-shirts.**

Spending Money

- For snacks, bookstore items, and evening snacks at the camper store.
- Cash only (cards/phone payments not accepted).

Fully-Functioning Instrument (Band/String)

- Ensure your instrument is in good condition before camp.
- Repairs during camp are difficult and time-consuming.
- Bring extra reeds, valve oil, bow rosin, slide grease, etc.

Contact Information

• Camp Director: Ben.Walker@eku.edu

• Walters Hall (Dorms): (859) 622-2074

• Foster Camp Office: (859) 622-3266 (8 AM – 4 PM Mon-Fri)

• EKU Campus Police (Emergencies): (859) 622-1111

Mailing Address

Foster Music Camp
Attn: [Camper's Name & Room #]
225 Park Drive
Richmond, KY 40475

Mail/packages accepted Monday-Friday, 8 AM-5 PM.

Visitor Policy

- Visitors must check in at the dormitory front desk.
- Limited visitation preferred, mainly for concerts/recitals.
- Non-parent visitors require being added to the Approved Pick Up List in your Active Registration Account. This should be done in advance, last minute additions are problematic for our staff and may be denied.
- Dorm is closed to visitors during meal times.
- No parents/visitors permitted on dormitory floors, except during move-in/out hours.

Leaving Camp

- Leaving is discouraged, except for emergencies.
- Campers may eat out with parents during visits, but cannot miss rehearsals/classes.
- Leaving camp with non-parent/guardians: This must be done in advance by adding Approved Pick Up Adults to your registration. You can do this by logging into your camp account.

Student Drivers

- Resident campers may NOT drive themselves to camp.
- Commuters may drive, but:
 - No transporting other students.
 - Must park and remain on campus until departure.

Laundry Options

• No laundry facilities on-site. Bring enough clothing for all week.

Camp Rules & Regulations

- All rehearsals and music classes are mandatory.
- Report illness immediately to camp staff.
- No controlled substances, alcohol, or smoking (including e-cigs). This is a zero tolerance policy. Students who bring these items will be turned over to the proper authorities and expelled from camp.
- Prescription medications must be reported at check-in.
- Campers/parents responsible for damages to university/camp property.

Refund Policy

- No refunds for food or housing (University policy).
- Refunds beyond food/housing, if any, are at camp administration's discretion.

Concert Schedule (Tentative)

- June 24, 6:00 PM Instrumental Solo/Honors Recital
- June 26, 6:30 PM Vocal Camp Solo Recital
- June 28 Grand Finale Concerts
 - o 2:00 PM Choir Concert
 - o 2:40 PM Orchestra Concert
 - o 3:20 PM Band Concert
 - o 3:40 PM Alumni Band Concert
 - 4:30 PM Grand Finale (Combined Performance)

CAMP ADDRESSES

(For GPS Usage, DO NOT SEND MAIL TO THESE LOCATIONS)

JANE CAMPBELL BUILDING (VOCAL SOLO RECITAL LOCATION)

2388 Crabbe St.

Richmond, KY 40475

FOSTER MUSIC BUILDING (EKU SCHOOL OF MUSIC AND CAMP REGISTRATION)

2388 Crabbe St.

Richmond, KY 40475

WALTERS HALL (DORMITORY FOR RESIDENT CAMPERS)

409 University Dr.

Richmond, KY 40475

EKU CENTER FOR THE ARTS (FINAL PERFORMANCE LOCATION)

822 Hall Drive

Richmond, KY 40475

SUGGESTED PACKING LIST (Detach and Keep For Reference)

- **Bedding:** Pillow, blankets, twin XL sheets.
- **Toiletries:** Shampoo, soap, toothbrush, shower shoes, deodorant.
- Towels: For Showering and at pool
- **Clothing:** Casual summer attire, light jacket, dress-up outfit for final concert. Layers are great as some locations are cooler/hotter than others. We also walk outside daily, depending on weather a rain jacket can also be helpful.
- **Shoes:** Comfortable walking shoes (we walk long distances across campus)
- **Swimwear:** For indoor pool activities.
- Chargers: For phones/devices.
- Cash: For camp store/snacks/pizza.
- Labeled Personal Items (luggage, instrument, music, valuables)
- Instrument/Audition Music (Band/String Campers)
- Dance Theme Items (our dance theme(s) will be sent out closer to your camp starting date so you can prepare items to match our theme if you wish...past examples include: Hawaiian Luau, Glow Party, Eras Dance, etc..Stay tuned for this years theme announcement)