

J.L. Mann High School

Patriot Orchestra

August, 2025

Start of the School Year!

Welcome to the J.L. Mann Orchestra!

My name is Mr. Benjamin Delorme and I am so excited to be your student's orchestra teacher this year. I will try my best to send out a monthly newsletter to help keep you informed on what's going on in the orchestra. Feel free to email me with any questions you may have.

[Class Website](#)

Without further ado, this is what you need to know about the month of August!

25-26 Parent/Guardian Contact Form

Parents and Guardians, please take time to fill out this short questionnaire. It should take less than 5 minutes to complete. This google form helps me build an email list, lets me know who is interested in helping (or not) with chaperoning and other volunteer opportunities, and gives me the most up to date contact information.

<https://forms.gle/GauT5RvoKkjCmqYj9>

REMIND Link

Text the message @d6g338 to the number 81010 to sign up for class update text messages. You can also use the following link to sign up for push notifications or emails by clicking the link below

<https://www.remind.com/join/d6g338>

Link to Calendar

Click [HERE](#) to get a Google Calendar share link.

Fees - Payable via MySchoolBucks, Cash, or Check

The class fee for Orchestra is \$25.00. This class fee pays for student binders and consumable supplies used during the year.

The Orchestra Instrument Maintenance fee is \$50.00 per semester for students using a school-owned instrument. \$50.00 maintenance fee covers normal wear and tear. It does not cover damage due to negligence or malice. Students are also responsible for strings.

There will be a link on the website by the end of the first week of school.

Concerts!

Our first Orchestra concert will be on October 28th, 2025 at 6:00pm in the J.L. Mann Auditorium. These concerts are major grades and are required. Call time for students is 45 minutes before concert start time - 5:15pm.

Students will be required to wear the following uniform to participate in the concert:

- Black Dress Shirt Top
- Black Dress Pants or Ankle Length Skirt
- Black Socks and Dress Shoes

The concert grade will be made up of the following - Attendance, Preparedness, Professionalism, and Uniform. A rubric will be shared ahead of each concert.

Honors Requirements

All students enrolled in Orchestra Honors - courses that have an “H” at the end - are required to audition for and attend, if selected, All Region or All County Orchestra in semester 1 and Solo and Ensemble for semester 2.

All Region Registrations are due September 5th, and auditions will be held at League Academy on September 27th, 2025. All County Video Auditions are due October 29th, 2025.

Students will be graded using the same criteria as concerts - Attendance, Preparedness, and Professionalism, and Uniform*.

**Students just need to wear school appropriate attire for All County and All Region auditions. This does not apply to solo and ensemble - concert dress is required for that event.*

Upcoming Events

August 21st, 2025 - J.L. Mann High School Open House from 6:00pm - 7:00pm

August 29th, 2025 - Cellobration Early Bird Registration Deadline - [LINK](#)

September 5th, 2025 - All Region Registrations Due (\$10.00) - MySchoolBucks, Cash, or Check

September 13th, 2025 - CELLObration 2025 @ Furman University - [LINK](#)

September 29th, 2025 - All Region Orchestra Event @ Wade Hampton HS