



Tri-M Music
HONOR SOCIETY

Forest Park High School

Woodbridge, Virginia

Sponsor:

Rob Specketer, Band Director

2017 - 2018

September 2017

Dear students,

Forest Park High School was granted a chapter of the Tri M Music Honor Society in the spring of 2010 by the National Association for Music Education. The Chapter exists to serve the Music department at Forest Park and honor our student musicians who have distinguished themselves.

The principles that guide Tri-M are scholarship, leadership, service, and character. In accordance with these principles, we have developed the following criteria for membership.

Scholarship - Maintain a 3.0 GPA in Music Classes, a 2.5 GPA in all other courses, and take part in an outside the school day activity: Marching Band, Jazz Band, School Musical, YSO, Voicemale, Church Choir, etc.

Leadership - *Successfully* audition for a county, district, or regional honors group, or hold a leadership position in your ensemble and participate in auditions.

Service - Commit to improving the music department at Forest Park High School, and sharing music throughout Forest Park and the surrounding communities.

Character - Represent FPHS and its music program with the utmost integrity at all times.

These principles will be displayed through service to the music program at Forest Park High School and in the surrounding community. All members of Tri-M must be in good academic standing, and should be role models in their ensembles. Members of Tri-M should make efforts to take music out of the building and into the Forest Park community.

If you fit these requirements and are interested in joining this honor society, you must fill out the attached application and return it to Mr. Specketer by Friday, October 27, 2017. You will also need to have a letter of recommendation completed by an FPHS teacher before this date.

In music and service,

The Forest Park Chapter of Tri-M

Tri-M Initiation Requirements

Membership is offered to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Once accepted, students must undergo a probationary period. The following will be required of each probationary member before their acceptance in May.

- **One music-related service project, by individual or as a group, approved by the FPHS Tri-M sponsors.**
- Complete fifteen hours of community service related to music.
- Maintain at least a 3.0 grade point average in all music-related classes, and at least a 2.5 grade point average in all other classes.
- Attend all Tri-M meetings and assist with Chapter activities.
- Audition for at least one honor ensemble.

The 2017 Induction Ceremony will take place on **May 22, 2018** at 2:30pm.

Yearly Tri-M Membership Requirements

Per the Forest Park High School Tri-M Music Honor Society bylaws, members will be reviewed yearly to consider their continued participation in the Tri-M program. These reviews will be done at the beginning of each school year by the Tri-M advisors, and will confirm that members have met the following requirements to maintain their membership for that school year.

- Members must be enrolled in at least **one** year-long music ensemble. A list of acceptable ensembles can be found in the chapter bylaws.
- Members must have completed **fifteen** hours of music related community service throughout the previous school year.
- Members must be in good academic standing in all classes (at least a 2.5 GPA for the previous year), and must have maintained a 3.0 GPA in all music-related courses.

If a current member does not or cannot meet the academic or music criteria necessary to be considered a Tri-M member, his or her membership will lapse until the music and academic criteria are once again met. The chapter advisor(s) shall determine when such membership is reinstated based upon proof that criteria has once again been met.

Seniors who do not meet these requirements by May 31, 2018 will not receive their cords at graduation.

FPHS Tri-M 2017-2018 Calendar

Thursday, October 12, 2017 - Interest Meeting/General Membership, 2:30pm

Friday, October 27, 2017 - All Membership Applications and Recommendations due

Thursday, November 2, 2017 - Meeting, 2:30pm

Thursday, December 7, 2017 - Meeting, 2:30pm

Thursday, January 11, 2018 - Meeting, 2:30pm

Thursday, February 8, 2018 - Meeting, 2:30pm

Thursday, March 8, 2018 - Meeting, 2:30pm

Tuesday, April 3, 2018 - Meeting, 2:30pm

Thursday, May 10, 2018 - Meeting, 2:30pm

Tuesday, May 15, 2018 - New Member Induction, 2:30pm

At each meeting, we will discuss service opportunities at Forest Park High School and in the surrounding communities. Members should come prepared with ideas and/or details for planned activities. **Attendance is mandatory for all members and probationary members.**

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TRI-M APPLICATION 2017 - 2018

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Instrument(s): _____

List all classroom ensembles in which you are or have been enrolled:

List outside ensembles in which you participate :

List examples of community outreach through music in which you have participated:

Please provide a brief description as to why you would like to be a member of Tri-M at Forest Park High School:

"I have read the bylaws of the Forest Park Tri-M Music Honor Society, and I want to become an active member of the society."

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Teacher Recommendation**

Name of Student: _____

Name of Faculty Member: _____

Please list all courses or activities in which you have taught this student:

Using the following criteria, please rate the student in each category.

1 - Strongly Disagree 2 - Disagree 3 - Undecided 4 - Agree 5 - Strongly Agree

Scholarship - Student is prepared for class and puts best effort into class participation.

1 2 3 4 5

Leadership - Student is a role model in class/activity and exercises a positive influence on his peers.

1 2 3 4 5

Service - Student actively volunteers to improve the class/activity through actions or requested services.

1 2 3 4 5

Character - Represent FPHS and its music program with the utmost integrity at all times, accepts criticism graciously, and shows courtesy, concern, and respect for other individuals.

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Signature of Faculty Member: _____ Date: _____

Please return to Mr. Specketer's mailbox by Friday, October 27, 2017