

Feast of the Hunter's Moon

Oct. 1-2, 2022

Dear Fiddler Parents,

Aug. 24, '22

This will be *The Fiddlers* 25th year performing at the colonial festival called **The Feast of the Hunter's Moon!** First-year Fiddler parents may have many questions concerning this event. I will try to cover most of the commonly asked questions in this letter.

Answer to most FAQ: **Fiddlers are NOT required to participate in this event.** Event is optional.

The 2022 "Feast" is held near West Lafayette, IN on **October 1st and 2nd**. **All participants must wear colonial attire.** I have requested the same general performance times (later morning on each day). Please note that I will not have the exact performance times until closer to event. **Indiana is on Eastern Standard Time!** Don't forget to set your clocks one hour ahead! The Fiddlers are also scheduled to perform in the courtyard outside of Rosewalk Care Center (a neighborhood Senior Center). The residents look forward to our annual visit on **Sat. Oct. 1st at 6:00 PM** (5:30-6:45pm, includes tuning). After the show, we will head to Arni's around **7:00 PM**. Arni's is a local restaurant nearby that has always supported the Fiddlers and hosted our annual celebration. We will be back in their fancy "Toys in the Attic" room!! ☺ *Due to the size of our group, the 18% gratuity will be included on your bill. Feel free to tip higher, too!*

Transportation is not provided and this is not considered a school function. Maps to and around W. Lafayette/ Lafayette will be printed closer to departure. Parents are responsible for hotel reservations, pre-purchasing weekend passes for family members AND completing the attached Fiddler confirmation sheet. **Weekend tickets** must be pre-purchased by **Thurs. Sept. 15th, 2022** to receive the discounted rate. Admission to the Feast, at full price, is also available at the gate upon entrance. (FREE admission children under 5 AND to performers registering by the deadline.)

TICKETS:

Performers: FREE ADMISSION with 2022 Feast button (One family per confirmation sheet, please)

Friends & Family members of performers (5 and up): \$5 per person for weekend pass

Friends & Family members 4 yrs old and under will receive FREE admission

Additional tickets are also available for purchase through the website or at gate.

FEAST CONFIRMATION DEADLINE IS Thursday, Sept. 15th at 5pm, TMS423!

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: I suggest staying overnight on Friday, Sept. 30th and Saturday, Oct. 1st. Best Western Plus has offered a discounted rate for **COLONIAL FIDDLERS GROUP** until Sept. 22nd!! Discounted rate is available using link above OR by PHONE asking for the *Colonial Fiddlers Group*. Discount available until 9/22/22, limited room availability- CALL ASAP.

Best Western Plus, 312 Meijer Dr., Lafayette, IN, 47905, 765-446-2400

This hotel is located in Lafayette, Indiana 47905, if you are checking Mapquest. For a complete list of hotels please visit the Lafayette Travelers Bureau site referenced at the end of this letter.

Special Rehearsals for Fiddlers participating in the FEAST of the HUNTERS MOON are scheduled for Tuesday, Sept 20th AND Sept. 27th from 3-4:15PM in the Truman Orch Room (423).

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- Parents who are willing to provide transportation and chaperone another child should email me immediately AND/OR a make note on the confirmation sheet. If you are choosing to chaperone another student, please request medical information and written permission from the child's parents.
- If your Fiddler does not have transportation and you would allow him/her to ride with another family, please email me immediately AND/OR a make note on the confirmation sheet. I will provide you with contact information for parents willing to chaperone another student.

Students that participate must wear 18th Century attire. Many parents choose to make a costume for their Fiddler. Patterns are available at fabric stores. "Costume tips" for boys and girls can be downloaded from the TMS Orch website. An additional "authenticity standards" sheet is available on the TCHA website noted at the end of this letter. Please respect the Tippecanoe Historical Foundation's authenticity standards!!! In addition, I have a collection of costumes for students to borrow! First come, first served. Reserve your costume via email ASAP.

NO Tennis shoes, jeans, jackets and t-shirts, etc. These are not acceptable performance clothes at FEAST!!!! See the **Colonial Fiddlers Clothing and Feast of the Hunters' Moon** on the MS Orchestra website for ideas. <https://www.msorch-fiddlers.org/>

More precise information (schedule, performance times, song list, Arni's dinner, etc.) will be included in the follow-up packet. The phone numbers that may assist in answering any other questions about the Feast or the W. Lafayette/Lafayette area are below. For questions about the Feast the Tippecanoe County Historical Association at (765) 476-8402 or check out the website at: feastofthehuntersmoon.org (**Brochure online!**) For additional questions about Lafayette or W. Lafayette area please check out the Visitor's Center website: <https://www.homeofpurdue.com/>

If you would like to attend the *Feast of the Hunter's Moon*, please fill out the attached confirmation sheet and return to me **NO LATER THAN**

Thursday, Sept. 15th at 5pm @ TMS Rm423

I must have confirmation of ALL performing students by deadline!!!!

Performers may not receive a 2022 button if they miss the deadline.

I am so excited about the Feast this year!! The weekend is so much fun!! **DON'T FORGET TO READ** thru the **Colonial Clothing and Feast FAQ's** document located on the Fiddler page of my website! 1st year fiddlers may participate! (Even if they only have 2 or 3 songs memorized.) Feel free to call or email me with questions and/or concerns!

Sincerely,
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MS Orchestras & Fiddlers

<https://www.msorch-fiddlers.org/>

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Confirmation & Ticket order

DUE to Ms Howard ASAP

Cannot accept forms after Thursday, Sept. 15th, 5pm- TMS423

Print Full Name of performer: _____

Additional performing family members _____

Total Colonial Performers: _____ (to receive FREE PERFORMER BUTTONS)

Does your performer(s) need to borrow a school colonial outfit for this performance? **YES NO**

Clothes will be first issued to students in the order request (permission slip) is received. Clothes distributed by the 9/27 Colonial rehearsal.

Phone (w/ area code) _____ **(cell phone preferred, if available)**

Please check if you would like to be included on a contact page distributed to other Fiddlers travelling to Lafayette?

If yes, please include parent name(s) travelling: _____ **and** where you are staying _____ (hotel or campsite name)

Weekend ticket purchase: *DO NOT INCLUDE PERFORMERS!!*

Non-performer weekend passes are \$5.00 each. A ticket is required for all non-performers 5 and over. Children 4 and under are FREE!

_____ (# of weekend passes purchasing) x \$5.00 per weekend pass = _____ (sub-total)

Checks payable to Lindbergh Schools

Tickets for family members and buttons will be distributed during the Tuesday, Sept. 27th rehearsal at TMS rm423 (3-4:15pm)

Additional:

1. If you are part of a carpool, please list the name(s) of the students that will be with you. Remember to have medical information and written permission from their parents.

2. Does your fiddler(s) plan perform outside in the courtyard at Rosewalk Care Center from 5:30-6:45 p.m. on Sat. Oct. 1st?

PLEASE NOTE: We will wear our 2022-23 BLUE Fiddler T-shirts for this event.

Yes No

3. Are you interested in joining us at Arni's Pizza around 7:00 PM?

Yes No

How many will be in your group? _____ (number should include performers)