



CONCERT DRESS INFORMATION FOR LADIES (2009-2010)

Returning orchestra students: Please try on concert dress to make sure it still fits!

Dear Symphony Orchestra/String Orchestra Parents:

The dresses for the Mira Costa Orchestras have $\frac{3}{4}$ sleeves and square necklines and are made out of the same fabric as the MBMS dresses. Alterations can be made to the MBMS dresses (which have round necklines and long sleeves) to match the Costa dresses or new dresses can be made. In the past, Joyce Blaney of Sew Creative Cafe has made our concert dresses and performed alterations. Last years prices – subject to change were:

- \$35 To alter the neckline and sleeves
- \$20 To let down the hem
- \$115 To create a new dress from scratch (\$115 includes tax); If new fabric needs to be purchased, she may raise her fee accordingly.

Girls will also need to provide nice black dress shoes (heels no higher than 2.5 inches) and black nylons.

Our first concert date (for the symphony orchestra only) is October 22, 2009. It is noted that concert dress will also be required for Picture Day for both the string and symphony orchestras – date to be determined. Please make arrangements early to have your dress altered or a new dress made. Once school starts, Joyce Blaney gets many requests to make MBMS dresses, so it is advisable to call early.

Joyce Blaney
Sew Creative Café
1726 Aviation Blvd.
Redondo Beach, CA 90278 (310) 376-0065

Hours: Joyce Blaney does not have regular hours-they vary because of her sewing classes. Please call her first to arrange a time to visit her at her shop.

The Booster Club is considering other vendors for supplying the dresses. As details regarding those vendors are available, they will be posted on the orchestra booster web page at <http://mchsorchestra.org/>.

If your student is in need of concert clothing and there are financial concerns, the Booster Club has available a few scholarships. Please contact me directly at (310) 937-6144 and be assured that all calls will be kept confidential.

Sincerely,

Mike Jett, President
Mira Costa Orchestra Booster Club