



# Terre Haute **Symphony** Orchestra

David Bowden Artistic Director

Hello Everyone!

We are thrilled to welcome you and your students to **Tilson Auditorium** on the campus of **Indiana State University** on **Tuesday April 9, 2024 at 11:00 AM Eastern**. We believe our programs for children are the **most** important concerts we do each year! Please continue reading below for important information:

## **Singalong Reminder**

We will ask students to join us in a singalong of American Patriotic songs during the concert, so please help your students **memorize the lyrics** so they can enjoy the singalong! [Click here](#) to review the lyrics. We also have several **classroom resources** and **activities** available at <https://www.thso.org/adventure-concerts>.

## **Schedule**

Please plan for students to **arrive at Tilson Auditorium 10:00am-10:15am Eastern** if possible. The first concert will release at 10:15am, so our goal is to have the 11am concert attendees arrive before release to avoid congestion in the Tilson lobby. Upon arrival, you will be guided into the McKee Family Heritage Ballroom until the first concert attendees have exited. The second concert will begin promptly at 11:00am. We do understand if you already have busses scheduled for specific times, so please plan to arrive as early as you are able after 9:30am Eastern. The North lobby of Hulman Center on Eagle Street may be used by ushers as a holding space depending on weather, so please take care to follow instructions from our ushers if plans need to change quickly.

## **Indoor Space for Lunch**

If you are interested in scheduling an indoor space for your students to eat a packed lunch on campus, please contact [Annika.Clawson@indstate.edu](mailto:Annika.Clawson@indstate.edu). Indoor space is available on a first-come-first-serve basis. There are also several outdoor grassy areas that you are welcome to use for a picnic without prior arrangement.

## **ADA Bus Drop Off – ADA Only**

Please use US 41 North and turn right onto Locust Street headed East into Indiana State University campus. Turn right on 7<sup>th</sup> Street headed South. ADA students and chaperones may be dropped off between buildings 21 and 67 on the attached campus map from 7<sup>th</sup> street. Use the back entrance of Tirey Hall (building 67) to access the elevator. Take the elevator to the Second Floor and follow directions from the ushers. Reminder, the elevator does NOT go to the balcony seating unfortunately.

After ADA students are dropped off, busses will continue South on 7<sup>th</sup> Street and turn left on Wabash Ave. Turn left on 9<sup>th</sup> Street headed North. Park in **Lot D Extension** on your right at Eagle Street. To pick up students after the concert, head north on 9<sup>th</sup> street, turn left on Tippecanoe, and left on 7<sup>th</sup> street to head south to pick up students between buildings 21 and 67.

## **School Bus and Car Parking**

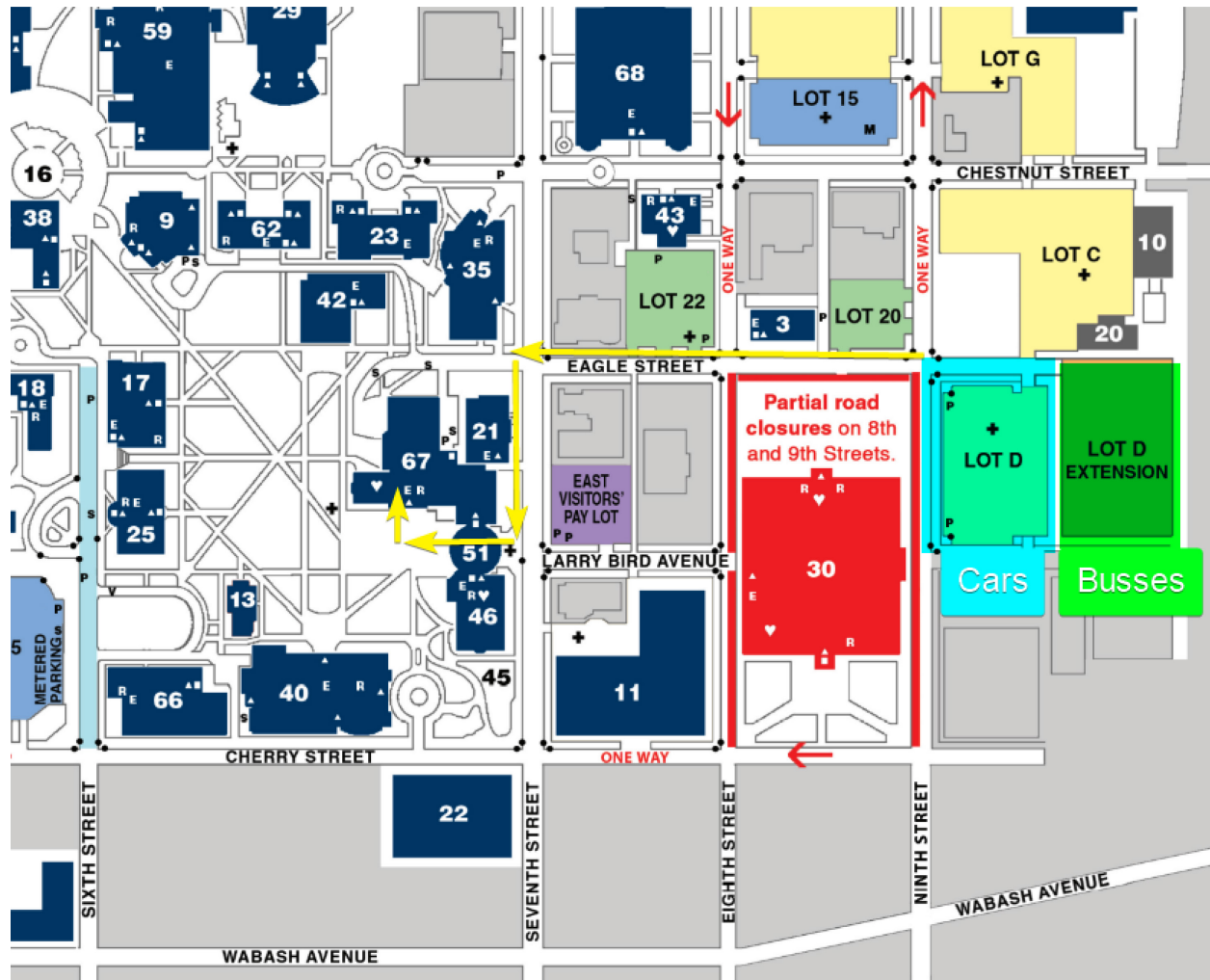
All cars will park in Lot D (**BLUE**). All busses will park in Lot D Extension (**GREEN**). Use Wabash Avenue headed East and turn left onto 9<sup>th</sup> Street headed North. Turn right onto Eagle Street and into the entrance of the parking lots. **Please respond to this email to let me know how many busses we can expect from your school.**



## Walking to Tilson Auditorium

All crosswalks along Eagle Street will be managed by ISU Police. **Walking paths** are noted by **yellow** arrows below. Students and chaperones will use the sidewalks to take Eagle Street headed West. Once 7<sup>th</sup> is crossed, turn left and continue South on 7<sup>th</sup>. Turn right into the courtyard (ushers will be available to direct you). The entrance to Tilson Auditorium will be to your right once you enter the courtyard. Able bodied persons can use the stairs on either side of the auditorium entrance. Ushers will be positioned in the Tilson Auditorium Lobby to direct you.

If needed, those with accessibility needs may use the ground level entrance between the stairs and follow the signs in the ground lobby around to the elevator. Take the elevator to the Second Floor and follow instructions from the ushers.



## Seating

Tilson Auditorium Ushers will assist with filling in rows from front to back on the floor and in the balcony. Accessible seating is available on the ground level. Please alert an usher if you have a student that will need accessible seating.



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## **Take-home Handout**

A take-home handout will be offered to students, parents, and teachers as you exit Tilson after the concert. The handout shares information with parents about what their children learned during their *Adventure Concert* field trip.

## **Exiting Tilson Auditorium**

To avoid congestion, we ask that students and teachers walk to parked busses and parked cars upon release from the concert using the same walking path as they entered. ISU police will assist with the cross walk at 7<sup>th</sup> and Eagle. ADA students can be picked up in the same location as drop off on 7<sup>th</sup> street as needed.

## **Video Recording and Photography**

The concert may be professionally recorded and photographed for use in future grant applications, funding requests, or general promotion of these concerts in the community. Schools are responsible for making sure parents are aware their children may be photographed or recorded during this program. By granting students permission to participate in this program, parents provide consent for the THSO to use photos of their child for the purposes listed above. The THSO will not identify or “tag” community members on social media without verbal or written consent. The THSO is not responsible for members of the public being identified by third parties on social media.

## **Thank You Letters**

We are always thrilled to receive thank you letters from students after they attend our *Adventure Concerts*! These letters are **vital** when we request funding each year to continue these important programs. Please consider having your students send thank you letters to the THSO or our conductor, Dr. David Bowden, at 25 N 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Terre Haute, IN 47807. A letter template is available at <https://www.thso.org/s/Thank-You-Letter-Coloring-Template.pdf>.

We look forward to welcoming your students in April!

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