

Eastern Music Camp

July 17-23, 2022

GENERAL INFORMATION

Eastern Music Camp is held annually on the campus of Eastern Illinois University in Charleston. The University is located off Route 16, which can be reached from Interstate 57 or Highway 130.

Sunday, July 17 – Opening of EMC

Registration

Registration will be held in the lobby of the Doudna Fine Arts Center on Sunday, July 17th between 11:00am and 2:00pm. Any outstanding camp fees must be paid at the time of registration via check or cash **only (we are sorry we are not able to accept credit/debit cards as forms of payment during registration)**.

Placement Auditions

All campers (except piano campers) should prepare for a brief placement audition on the first day of camp (Sunday, July 17 beginning at 2:00pm). Details for each specific camp's audition requirements may be found on the EMC web page at www.eiu.edu/music/emc by the end of May.

Orientation Meeting

All campers will report to the Doudna Fine Arts Center Dvorak Concert Hall at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday for a **mandatory** orientation meeting. Floor counselors will escort campers to/from the Orientation Meeting.

Health & Safety

Students attending EMC are led by a professional staff of counselors and deans. Our staff is trained in basic health and safety concepts, including CPR, and can take care of most minor health concerns including cuts and bruises, administration of prescription medications, common colds, homesickness, etc.

Students with chronic/serious health conditions including profound food allergies, moderate to severe autism, or mental health concerns are encouraged to attend EMC. We ask that parents who will be sending children with these types of concerns contact the Director in advance of submitting a camp application if possible. In some cases, the Director may ask parents to fill out a Safety Plan document for their children to ensure they receive the care and attention they need while on campus. EMC maintains strict confidentiality of students' medical conditions but will notify faculty and staff as necessary to ensure your child's safety. Please note that campers with dietary restrictions should include appropriate information on their Medical Treatment form and notify the Director.

EMC staff are not authorized to take students to the EIU Health Center for urgent health issues. Campers with any type of urgent health concern will be taken to the Sarah Bush Lincoln (SBL) Walk-in Clinic in Charleston, or the SBL Hospital Emergency Room in Mattoon, depending on severity. This ensures that campers' insurance is properly billed.

Face masks for students are optional, unless the student is symptomatic Covid-19 and tests positive. All students are encouraged to bring rapid tests with them, if possible. All students will be required to provide either proof of vaccination for Covid-19 or a negative PCR test (not home test) taken within 48 hours of camp.

Housing & Dining

All campers will live in Andrews Hall. Our counselors are experienced professionals who are EIU students or graduates. Campers and counselors live together, eat together, and get to know each other. Campers will be housed one or two per room; male and female campers are strictly separated by floor. Please contact the EMC Director at easternmusiccamp@eiu.edu with questions or concerns. Please note that there is a \$60.00 replacement cost for lost room keys. Roommate requests will be through an online form provided after the June 1

registration deadline. EMC will strive to accommodate all roommate requests if there is space availability and it is mutually agreeable between the requested roommates. No more than two campers will be assigned per room.

Campers will receive breakfast, lunch and dinner in the Taylor Dining Center. Campers will have access to cereals, sandwiches, salad bar, hot entrees and sides, soft drinks and dessert. We strongly encourage all campers to eat balanced meals. As noted above, special meals are available for campers with dietary restrictions, though it is the family's responsibility to notify EMC administrators of any needs in advance. Campers will be given a meal wristband at registration that must be worn at all times during EMC. Please note that there is a \$5.00 replacement charge for lost meal wristbands.

Rehearsals, Classes & Private Lessons

In general, campers attend six rehearsal or class sessions each weekday of camp (Monday – Friday). Most campers will attend two full rehearsals, two sectional rehearsals, and two elective classes each day, though there are some variations in the daily schedule per specific camp (for example, jazz and musical theatre campers do not participate in elective classes). Classes begin at 8:30 a.m. and continue until 4:00pm, with a break for lunch. **Band, Instrumental Jazz and Strings campers should bring a WIRE MUSIC STAND for use in classes and rehearsals.**

Campers will attend evening activities as scheduled. All campers are required to attend all classes, including evening sessions.

Camp faculty will offer optional private lessons/coaching at a charge of \$25/half hour. Lessons are taught by experienced instructors, many EIU's own music faculty, and are scheduled during the camper's free time. Campers will be able to schedule private lessons and pay fees for this service during registration (check or cash will be accepted). The cost is additional and is paid directly to the instructor (please do *not* make out checks to EMC or EIU).

Make sure your instrument is in good working condition. Reed players should bring at least three reeds for their instrument.

Recreational Activities

During the late afternoon and some evenings, campers will participate in various recreational activities. EMC sponsors a dance led by a professional DJ, movies, karaoke, a swim/pizza party at the Charleston Rotary Pool, and a talent show (see below), all of which are included in camp fees.

The EMC Talent Show has become a tradition and a camper favorite. This event is held on Thursday evening and features campers, counselors and other staff, all with the opportunity to demonstrate their unique talents. Much of the entertainment is light and humorous, but campers whose talent is singing, dancing or playing an instrument are invited to share it with us. All acts must be appropriate and non-offensive; participants are determined by members of our counseling staff. An accompanist will be provided and recorded sound playback is also available.

Check-Out and Final Concerts

All campers must check-out of Andrews Hall by **12:00pm on Saturday, July 23**, before their own final concert. Check-out will begin at 10:00am. Luggage may be kept in rooms until 12:00pm.

The final camp concerts are scheduled for Saturday, July 23 at the Doudna Fine Arts Center at EIU. The concerts are free – be sure to invite parents, family members, music directors and friends to hear you perform. The final concerts are scheduled for the following times:

Musical Theatre	11:30 am	Theatre
Choir	12:30 pm	Dvorak Concert Hall
Jazz	1:30 pm	Theatre

**Strings and Piano
Bands**

**1:30pm
2:30pm**

**Recital Hall
Dvorak Concert Hall**

Concert Dress

Dark pants or skirts, white tops, ties optional.

Miscellaneous

Money

Campers will only need money for personal expenditures as room and board are provided within the camp fee. We recommend no more than \$25 cash.

Cell Phones

Cell phones are allowed, but **must be turned off** during all class and rehearsal times, all performances (recitals, talent shows, concerts), as well as at all floor meetings.

EMC T-shirts

T-shirts are included in the camp fee. Campers will pick up the size t-shirt they ordered during registration. Campers should plan to wear t-shirts during the day on Monday for camp photos.

Photos

Campers may order photos at an additional cost during registration or during the final concerts. More details concerning photos will be available closer to camp.

Recordings

We are sorry that EMC is unable to offer recordings of the final concerts due to copyright restrictions.

In the Event of an Emergency

For general questions and concerts throughout the week, call 217-581-6627 or email easternmusiccamp@eiu.edu. The following phone numbers should be used only in case of emergencies:

Andrews (Residence Hall) Front Desk: 217/581-3759 (manned 8:00am-midnight during camp by EMC staff)
EIU Campus Police: 217/581-3212
Department of Music: 217/581-3010

What to Bring

In general, the Doudna Fine Arts Center tends to be a little chilly in the summer. Bring layers and plan to wear shirts that keep your shoulders warm.

Concert Attire	General	All Linens, including:
Black or Dark Blue Pants, White Shirt, Ties optional	Instrument	Bed Linens for Twin XL Mattress
	Wire Music Stand	Lightweight Blanket
	Sports Clothes	Pillow
	Jeans & Slacks	Wash Cloths & Towels
	Shorts & Shirts	Toiletries
	Sweater/Jacket	Wire Clothes Hangars
	Swim Suit	Alarm Clock
		Notebook & Pencils
		Rainwear/Umbrella