

TRES String News

October 2012

Adv Winter Concert Tues Dec 11th @7pm/ Beg Winter Concert Tues Jan 15th @7pm

Upcoming Events

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Weekly Schedule

Oct 1-5

C Week

Oct 8-12

D Week

Oct 15-19

A Week, no school on Friday

Oct 22-26

B Week

Oct 29-Nov 2

C Week

Community Events

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Columbia Orchestra concert- Sat. Oct 6th 7:30pm @ Jim Rouse Theater; Bernstein and Beethoven

Baltimore Symphony Orchestra- Oct 4-6 Beethoven's Eroica Symphony

National Symphony Orchestra- Oct 11-13 Wagner

Toby's Dinner Theater Columbia- Now-Nov 11 The Color Purple

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Welcome to the TRES String Program!!!

It is my pleasure to welcome you to (or welcome you back to) the Triadelphia Ridge Strings Program. As a new tradition, each month I will be sending an electronic newsletter home to provide you with the most up-to-date information about what is going on in the strings program. You can also visit my website at <http://mrsdeorio-orchestra.weebly.com> for more information and helpful resources.

As of September 24 we are in full swing with our strings schedule. Each of your string musicians should have a music folder, provided by Mrs. De Orio, an instrument that you have rented from a music store, and other necessary materials. Please see below and the next page for more specific information.

Practice Charts

Each month your musician will have a few assignments to complete for strings. The most important of these assignments is their Practice Chart. Each day after your musician practices, they write a check in the box next to the date if they have practiced CORRECTLY for at least 15 minutes, and at the end of the month the parent should sign the chart and the student should answer the questions at the bottom of the page. The student should return it to their strings teacher by the date on the bottom of the chart. Practice charts represent a large part of the students overall grade, so it is very important they are turned in on time. Also, practicing regularly at home will significantly increase each musician's ability to perform on his or her instrument. Parents- please encourage your musician to practice regularly. Try to get into a routine of practicing at a regular time, and treat practice time as part of homework time.

Music Folders

Each string musician has received a music folder. This folder should be brought to every strings class. In the folder your musician should have...

- Strings Schedule for their grade
- Method Book
- Any additional sheet music

-Practice Charts

-Any additional written assignments

-2 Pencils

The folders will clearly be marked with your musician's name, instrument, and grade; however it is the responsibility of your musician to take care of their folder and its contents. If your musician happens to lose their folder, please see me immediately to get new copies of music and assignments.

Grades

Each quarter your musician will receive a report card (separate from their academic report card) with grades for strings class. Your musicians will be graded on attendance, participation, performance ability, home practice, and concert attendance. All students will have frequent playing assessments, which are administered during sectional lessons at school, and will also have written assignments. Some written assignments will be completed in class and others will be assigned for homework. If you have any questions about grades, please feel free to contact me at anytime.



Schedule

Strings classes are on Monday's, Wednesday's and Friday's depending on what grade you are in. We are on a four-week rotation, labeled "A, B, C, D" week. Please have your musician bring their instrument and music to schools on those days.

3rd grade will meet for one 30-minute sectionals on Monday based on the instrument they play; and one ensemble on Friday.

4th grade will meet for one 30-minute sectional (either Monday or Wednesday) based on the instrument they play, and one 30-minute ensemble rehearsal on Friday.

5th grade will meet for one 30-minute sectional (either Monday or Wednesday) based on the instrument they play, and one 30-minute ensemble rehearsal on Friday.

Materials for Strings

Below is a list of all of the materials your musician will need for strings class. These materials can be found at any music store, please contact me if you are having difficulty finding all of the materials. Also, please put your musician's name on all of your materials.

3rd grade materials

Violin

- Strings method book: "Essential Elements 2000 for Strings," Violin Book 1
(Please write your child's name on the outside of the front cover of the book)
- Shoulder rest (I recommend Blue Sponge, Kun, or Resonans)
(Please write your child's name on the shoulder rest)
- Rosin
- Soft cloth for cleaning (such as a handkerchief)
- 2 pencils with erasers
- Music stand for home practice

Viola

- Strings method book: "Essential Elements 2000 for Strings," Viola Book 1
(Please write your child's name on the outside of the front cover of the book)
- Shoulder rest (I recommend Blue Sponge, Kun, or Resonans)
(Please write your child's name on the shoulder rest)
- Rosin
- Soft cloth for cleaning (such as a handkerchief)
- 2 pencils with erasers
- Music stand for home practice

- Cello (instrument insurance for the cello is highly recommended)
 - Strings method book: "Essential Elements 2000 for Strings," Cello Book 1
(Please write your child's name on the outside of the front cover of the book)
 - Rock stop (Please write your child's name on the rock stop)
 - Rosin
 - Soft cloth for cleaning (such as a handkerchief)
 - 2 pencils with erasers
 - Music stand for home practice

- Bass (instrument insurance for the bass is highly recommended)
 - Strings method book: "Essential Elements 2000 for Strings," Bass Book 1
(Please write your child's name on the outside of the front cover of the book)
 - "Bass" Rosin (soft rosin)
 - Soft cloth for cleaning (such as a handkerchief)
 - 2 pencils with erasers
 - Music stand for home practice

4th grade materials

Violin

- Strings method book: "Essential Elements 2000 for Strings," Violin, Book 1
- Shoulder rest (I recommend Kun, Blue Sponge, or Resonans shoulder rests)
* Please write your child's name on the shoulder rest and book *
- Rosin
- Soft cloth for cleaning (such as a handkerchief)
- 2 pencils with erasers
- Music stand for home practice
- Sabine Metronome/Tuner Combination

Viola

- Strings method book: "Essential Elements 2000 for Strings," Viola, Book 1
- Shoulder rest (I recommend Kun, Blue Sponge, or Resonans shoulder rests)
* Please write your child's name on the shoulder rest and book *
- Rosin
- Soft cloth for cleaning (such as a handkerchief)
- 2 pencils with erasers
- Music stand for home practice
- Sabine Metronome/Tuner Combination

Cello

- Strings method book: "Essential Elements 2000 for Strings," Cello, Book 1
- Rock stop * Please write your child's name on the rock stop and book *
- Rosin
- Soft cloth for cleaning (such as a handkerchief)
- 2 pencils with erasers
- Music stand for home practice
- Sabine Metronome/Tuner Combination

Bass

- Strings method book: "Essential Elements 2000 for Strings," Bass, Book 1

- Rock stop * Please write your child's name on the rock stop and book *
- "Bass" Rosin (soft rosin)
- Soft cloth for cleaning (such as a handkerchief)
- 2 pencils with erasers
- Music stand for home practice
- Sabine Metronome/Tuner Combination

5th grade materials

Violin

- Strings method book: "Essential Elements 2000 for Strings," Violin, Book 2
- Shoulder rest (I recommend Kun, Blue Sponge, or Resonans shoulder rests)
* Please write your child's name on the shoulder rest and book *
- Rosin
- Soft cloth for cleaning (such as a handkerchief)
- 2 pencils with erasers
- Music stand for home practice
- Sabine Metronome/Tuner Combination

Viola

- Strings method book: "Essential Elements 2000 for Strings," Viola, Book 2
- Shoulder rest (I recommend Kun, Blue Sponge, or Resonans shoulder rests)
* Please write your child's name on the shoulder rest and book *
- Rosin
- Soft cloth for cleaning (such as a handkerchief)
- 2 pencils with erasers
- Music stand for home practice
- Sabine Metronome/Tuner Combination

Cello

- Strings method book: "Essential Elements 2000 for Strings," Cello, Book 2
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Bass

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