

# String Orchestra

## Prospective Student Info

-At a Glance-



### **GENERAL INFO**

- \$225 tuition per semester
- Reduced lunch students eligible for discount
- Grade 4-5 Beginners– M/W, 3:50-4:50pm
- Grade 4-5 Intermediates– T/Th, 3:50-4:50pm
- Grade 6-9 Beginners– M/W, Lyceum period
- Grade 6-9 Intermediates– T/Th, Lyceum
- Beginners: 18 spots per orchestra
- Intermediates: Audition required if new
- Occasional optional Friday practices/ help sessions offered throughout the semester

### **INSTRUMENT INFO**

#### **Choice of four instruments:**

- Violin, Viola, Cello, Bass

#### **Required Supplies**

- Violin & Viola: All- Instrument, bow, case, rosin, shoulder rest, cleaning cloth, Beginner-Strictly Strings 1, Suzuki Volume 1, pencil
- Cello & Bass: All- Instrument, bow, case, rosin, rock stop, cleaning cloth, Beginner-Strictly Strings 1, Suzuki Volume 1, pencil

#### **Recommended Instrument Stores**

- Terra Nova Violins
- Antonio Strad
- High School Music

#### **Provided Supplies**

- Concert music
- Binder for Intermediate Orchestra students
- Online study aids

### **COMMUNICATION**

- Susan Slaugh- texansusan@hotmail.com
- Remind app- sends texts to parent phones
- E-mail- for more lengthy communication

### **PERFORMANCES & DRESS**

- Two performances per semester
- Concert dress will be black or school uniforms depending on the concert
- Opportunities to play for pep rallies, sporting events, and other events away from school

### **EXPECTATIONS**

- Practice on own daily, or at a minimum, several times a week
- Practice 10-30 minutes depending on ability & length of music
- Be able to sit still, learn, listen, & behave
- Fingernails should be cut short
- No refund for missed rehearsals or early withdrawal
- After school practices: if picked up more than 5 minutes late– checked into Homework Club at \$1/minute
- Enjoy watching your child grow their talents in a short amount of time!

### **ABOUT THE CONDUCTOR**

- Susan Slaugh– volunteer parent
- Played violin & piano for 30+ years
- Plays violin with the Symphony of the Hills
- Conducts San Antonio Messiah, an adult choir & orchestra, for past 14 years
- Taught K-12 orchestras at private school
- Taught 5th grade strings at public school
- Taught sectionals & private lessons at local public schools
- Married for 25 years & has 5 children, one at Great Hearts Invictus