String Orchestra Prospective Student Info



GENERAL INFO

- \$225 tuition per semester
- Reduced lunch students eligible for discount
- Grade 4-10 Beginners- M/W, 3:50-4:50pm
- Grade 4-5 Intermediate 2– T/Th, 3:50-4:50pm
- Grade 6-10 Intermediate 1– M/W, Lyceum
- Grade 6-10 Advanced-T/Th, Lyceum
- Beginners: 24 student limit
- Experienced: 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

- <u>Violin & Viola:</u> All- Instrument, bow, case, tapes, rosin, shoulder rest, cloth, pencil Beginners- Strictly Strings 1, Suzuki 1,
- Cello & Bass: All-Instrument, bow, case, tapes, rosin, rock stop, cloth, pencil Beginners- Strictly Strings 1, Suzuki 1

Recommended Instrument Stores

- Terra Nova Violins
- Antonio Strad
- Hillie Music
- 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 40+ years
- Plays violin with the Symphony of the Hills
- Conducts San Antonio Messiah, an adult choir & orchestra, for past 16 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 26 years & has 5 children, one at Great Hearts Invictus