

Beaumont Music

May 2020

Dear Parents of Future Third and Fourth Graders,

We are very pleased to be able to offer your child **instrumental** and **choral** music instruction this year!

3rd Grade: *String Orchestra & Chorus*

Third grade students may receive instruction on String instruments (**Violin, Viola, or Cello**). Group string lessons begin in September and continue throughout the entire school year. Lessons are during the school day and meet once a cycle for 30 minutes. In January, students that participate in string lessons also begin 3rd Grade String Orchestra Rehearsal. String Orchestra Rehearsal meets once a cycle before school at 8:15am. Third grade students may also participate in Chorus. Morning rehearsals begin in September and are held once a week before school at 8:15 a.m.

4th Grade: *String Orchestra, Band, & Chorus*

Fourth grade students may receive instruction on Strings (**Violin, Viola, Cello**) and Band instruments (**Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Trumpet, French horn, Trombone, Baritone, Percussion/Bell Kit**). Group instrument lessons begin in September and are during the school day once a cycle for 30 minutes. Fourth Grade Orchestra and Chorus rehearsals begin in September and are once a cycle before school at 8:15a.m. In January all Band musicians will start attending morning Band rehearsals once a week before school at 8:15a.m.

Registration: <http://tesd.net/Domain/968>

Musicians may participate in more than one ensemble. Visit your music teacher's web page (above) to register.

Acquiring an Instrument

For String/Band lessons, we ask that you provide your child with an instrument, book, and supplies by the first week of September. You may choose to use an instrument that you have in your possession (must be in excellent playing condition and proper size) or you may elect to rent an instrument. **A list of music stores and important supplies is on the attached page.** Please be sure your child accompanies you to the music store to ensure that he/she receives the correct size instrument. If you are unable to provide an instrument for your child, please contact your school Music Teacher or Guidance Counselor regarding the District's FLITE program. BUS NOTE: District policy states musical instruments must be able to fit on the student's lap or under the seat ahead of them without endangering the safety of other students. Students with large instruments should provide their own transportation to school on lesson days.

Thank you for your interest in the music program at Tredyffrin/Easttown School District!

Sincerely,
District Elementary Music Staff

Mrs. Kati Hedenberg – Band & Chorus – HedenbergK@tesd.net

Mrs. Abbey Mertz – Strings/Orchestra – MertzA@tesd.net

Dr. Nancy Adams – Music Supervisor – AdamsN@tesd.net

TAKE THIS PAGE WITH YOU TO THE MUSIC STORE

Music Stores

These vendors have expressed interest in working with our district.
Their listing does not necessarily denote endorsement by the school district.

Music and Arts

Lawrence Park Shopping Ctr
1991 Sproul Rd, Unit 26
Broomall, PA
610-356-4674

Music and Arts

Whiteland Towne Ctr
181 W. Lincoln Highway
Exton, PA
484-875-0101

Taylor's Music

116 W. Gay Street
West Chester, PA
610-696-1812

Troubadour Music

380 W. Lancaster Avenue
Wayne, PA
610-687-1721

Music Books & Supplies

Strings

- 3rd & 4th Grade Lesson Book:
Essential Elements for Strings, Book 1, Allen, Gillespie, Hayes & Higgens
- All violin and viola players must have a shoulder rest or sponge.
- All string instruments need fingerboard tape (this should be done at the music store).
- All string instruments need to be the appropriate size.

Band

- Lesson Book:
Standard of Excellence ENHANCED, Book 1, Bruce Pearson, Neil A. Kjos Music Co.
- **Flute:** cleaning rod and swab/handkerchief
- **Clarinet:** packet of **size 2 reeds***, cleaning swab, cork grease
- **Saxophone:** packet of **size 2 or 2.5 reeds*** cleaning swab, cork grease, neck strap
- **Oboe:** 3 double reeds (**medium-soft**)*, cleaning swab, cork grease
- *Reeds are delicate pieces of wood that will break easily and do not last forever. You will need to purchase more as they are used throughout the school year.
- **Trumpet, Baritone, and French Horn:** valve oil
- **Trombone:** slide cream
- **Percussion:** purchase or rent a **Bell Kit** (includes bells, mallets, snare pad, sticks)