

Sierramont Middle School

*Orchestra
Handbook*

2015-2016



Lauren McVeigh, Instrumental Music Director

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Hello, Music Parents!

Welcome to another great year at Sierramont, and thank you for enrolling your student in our music program. In this handbook, you will find answers to commonly asked questions, as well as my grading procedures and expectations.

If you are new to the program, let me tell you a little about myself. I was born and raised near Phoenix, Arizona. I graduated from Northern Arizona University in December of 2006, with my Bachelor's degree in Instrumental Music Education. In 2011, I graduated from the American Band College of Sam Houston State University with my Master's of Music in Instrumental Conducting. My main instrument is euphonium. My musical background is somewhat diverse. I began playing piano at age 6, flute at age 11, and euphonium at age 17. My college training included learning every instrument. 2007-2008 was my first school year at Sierramont, and I am *extremely* honored to be back for another year!

Please read through this handbook thoroughly. The last two pages are to be signed and returned to school by Tuesday, September 1. ***No student will be allowed to play an instrument until all September 1 paperwork is turned in.*** The sooner we have a "balanced instrumentation," and the sooner I get all paperwork, the sooner classes can begin playing!

E-mail is a great way for me to send updates and to keep in touch with parents, so please make sure I get your email address. I also use Infinite Campus for grading all assignments and performances, so please sign up for an account.

Feel free to contact me at anytime! I enjoy hearing comments and suggestions throughout the year. I am most easily reached by email: lmcveigh@busd.net , or you may call me at 408-923-1800 x4833.

Thank you so much, and I am looking forward to another excellent year!

Sincerely,

Lauren McVeigh

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

INTERMEDIATE ORCHESTRA

Instrument Choices: violin, viola, cello, bass (pictured in order below)

Financial Requirements: “Strictly Strings” Book 2, \$6.99

- Purchase of a Sierramont Music Polo Shirt, \$18.00, and Music T-Shirt, \$12.00
- Donation to the Berryessa Music Boosters, Inc.: \$120.00 per year
- Instrument rental at your local music store: \$25 - \$50 per month

If you played the violin, viola, cello, or bass in elementary school, then this is the class for you! It consists of mainly sixth and seventh graders, but eighth graders are also welcome. If you would like to play violin, you must audition to guarantee a spot. If you can read music but also want to learn a string instrument, then you may join intermediate orchestra.



ADVANCED ORCHESTRA

Instrument Choices: violin, viola, cello, bass (pictured in order above)

Financial Requirements: “String Techniques for Superior Musical Performance” Book, \$6.95

- Purchase of a Sierramont Music Shirt: \$18.00
- Donation to the Berryessa Music Boosters, Inc.: \$120.00 per year
- Instrument rental at your local music store: \$25 - \$50 per month
- All students must purchase or borrow an electronic tuner/metronome (Korg TM-50 recommended, approx. \$30.00)
- All students must have a SmartMusic computer account, either at home (\$40) or at school.

Advanced orchestra offers mature, accomplished players of all grade levels the chance to prepare and perform challenging literature. Students are required to participate in several performances during the school year. Many enrichment activities are offered, including possible festivals, field trips, and competitions. Advanced orchestra has the opportunity to travel to Disneyland in the spring to perform in the Disney Magic Music Days. This is not a required performance, but is highly recommended because of the valuable lessons students learn, such as responsibility, teamwork, and performance skills. Students and their families are responsible for paying Disneyland fees (usually about \$480.00) but remember there are many fundraising opportunities available. Some past students have paid their entire Disneyland fees through fundraising! Students must have a grade of A in orchestra to attend the trip. There are extra credit opportunities available.

CLASS PLACEMENT

Every child has “musical talent” and can be a success in the Sierramont music program. A parent’s expectation should be that any student willing to put forth substantial effort and maintain a good attitude can be successful in music at Sierramont.

Student placement, particularly for returning students, depends on the maturity of the individual, as well as their performance abilities. Discrepancies in performance skills can be lessened through cooperative learning and tutoring, a willingness to work for the good of the group, and by being supportive of classmates’ efforts. These attributes are essential for any student wishing to be in our advanced performing groups. These same attributes are valued in the workplace and are important lifelong qualities. Participation in a musical ensemble is a unique learning experience for every student.

BERRYESSA MUSIC BOOSTERS

Berryessa Music Boosters, Inc., is a fundraising community group that decided to continue to provide elementary school instrumental music instruction when Berryessa Union School District discontinued the funding in 1992. Our middle school instrumental music programs couldn't function without a "feeder" program in the elementary schools. This organization funds elementary instrumental music, and provides instruments and music resources for all schools in the Berryessa Union School District. The Berryessa Music Boosters are currently looking for a new president. If you are interested in taking this volunteer position, please speak with Mrs. McVeigh.

CMEA

Every year, the *Advanced* classes participate in the CMEA festival, which stands for California Music Educator's Association. This is a competitive performance that includes groups from all around the state of California. CMEA is like "STAR" testing for music. It is our chance to show the state what we've accomplished in the music department. It's the most important performance of the year. CMEA takes place in the spring on a Friday or Saturday. The date will be announced in the fall. No absences are allowed. The performance is worth 50 points and no make-up work will be given. Attendance is absolutely mandatory.

EXTRA REHEARSALS

Throughout the year, occasional rehearsals will be held before or after school.

- Combined rehearsals: If we need to practice with the band and orchestra combined together, all participating students are expected to attend. Date will be announced at least two weeks in advance. *Rehearsals may be considered part of the student's grade.* Students who do not attend combined rehearsals may not participate in the concert performance.
- Sectionals: All music students will have sectionals after school. Your section will determine a day everyone can attend. Each student will be required to attend 1-2 sectionals per year.
- Supplemental rehearsals: If the director decides a supplemental rehearsal is needed, all students are expected to attend. Date will be announced at least two weeks in advance. Supplemental rehearsals are usually held before or after school.

FUNDRAISING

Most field trips, and all extracurricular activities, are paid for by students' families or through fundraising activities. Music students will be involved in approximately two fundraisers per year. If you do not wish your child to be involved in fundraising, that's okay. However, as a secondary option to fundraising, please consider making a donation to the Sierramont music department.

MUSIC COUNCIL

The Sierramont Music Council is a student-run organization that focuses on improving the music program throughout the year. Music council officers act as representatives of their peers, share ideas and suggestions with the director, and can create committees to help with projects. Each officer will also conduct the class occasionally. There are three officers in each class: historian, secretary, and librarian. Positions are now open, and voting will take place within the first month of the school year. There will be approximately 5-6 meetings per year, held once a month on Thursdays from 1:15-2:00 (additional meetings if necessary). Only officers may attend meetings. Meeting dates will be announced at least a week in advance.

Historian: takes pictures throughout the year, prepares slideshows for concerts and events, creates collages for the classroom.

Secretary: helps with office work, paperwork, and classroom organization, has computer responsibilities, takes daily attendance.

Librarian: is in charge of the music library, helps create sightreading folders, passes out new music throughout the year, makes copies occasionally.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Family and community members are always needed in the music program, either as tutors, chaperones for field trips, or treasurers for our fundraisers, etc. Please contact Mrs. McVeigh if you can help out in any way. The students and staff at Sierramont appreciate the time and energy spent by volunteers at our school.

PERFORMANCES AND EVENING COMMITMENTS (MANDATORY)

Performing is an integral part of instruction for musical groups, and is the reason we rehearse every day at school. A required performance is the grading equivalent of a final exam in an academic core class. An unexcused absence from a required performance will result in a grade of “zero” for that performance. This can dramatically affect a student’s overall grade. To be considered for an excused absence due to extreme family emergency or illness, the situation must be explained in a parent note to the director as soon as possible. All other non-emergency excuses must be submitted *at least two weeks before the performance*. At the director’s discretion, the excused absence *might* be eligible for make-up by an equal and alternate assignment completed during the same semester as the missed performance. All major performance dates can be found in this handbook. In the event of any performance changes or additions, families will be notified as soon as possible.

PRACTICE REQUIREMENTS

Practicing is essential to becoming a successful musician. Even professional musicians practice constantly, up to four or more hours per day! “You can never practice too much!” In music class, practice time is equivalent to homework time. Students with small instruments *must* practice at home. Students with large instruments are invited to practice in the music room after school, maximum of three days per week. Large instruments are: cello, bass, tenor sax, bari sax, bass clarinet, bassoon, horn, trombone, euphonium, tuba, and percussion. The director will initial those students’ practice records every day. Students are responsible for notifying their parents on the days they would like to stay after school and practice in the classroom. SmartMusic practicing and test minutes count toward the student’s weekly minutes.

Practice time requirements are:

- Turn in a monthly “practice record” signed by a parent. Practice records are due on the first of every month, or the Monday following the first of the month.
- Practice approximately 100 minutes a week, or 20 minutes each school day.
- Private lessons on your band/orchestra instrument count as practice time (If a student plays the trumpet in band and has a one-hour trumpet lesson, he/she will earn 60 minutes on their practice record)
- A student may earn extra credit for practicing more than 100 minutes. Double credit (200%) is the maximum for any month of practicing.
- A student may earn extra credit for taking private lessons on a second instrument (5 points for each month of lessons)

SMART MUSIC

A SmartMusic account will be required for *Advanced* band and orchestra students only. However, all students are encouraged to download SmartMusic at home! SmartMusic is computer software that can do many things, such as record playing tests, make .mp3 recordings, show fingerings for all notes, analyze mistakes, and provide an extensive library of music to practice. The cost is \$40.00 for a one-year subscription at www.smartmusic.com. A microphone is also required. Any type of microphone is fine, but SmartMusic microphones are available on the website for \$19.95 (1/8”) or \$29.95 (USB). For families who cannot afford the registration cost or do not have a computer and microphone, a school account will be provided, and students can take their tests in the classroom.

Advanced classes will need to record some playing tests with SmartMusic. This can be done at home, in the classroom after school, or during second lunch when the director is in the classroom. Recording your playing test *does* count as practice time.

T-SHIRTS

Later in the fall, students will be required to order a music t-shirt. The cost usually averages \$12.00. This t-shirt is part of the dress code for some performances and field trip. More information, including a design contest, will be coming soon!

INSTRUMENT RENTAL

Sierramont does not have enough instruments for all students, which means many students *will need to rent* or use their own instrument. Below are some rent-to-own options from Music Village, a San Jose music store at 2971 Union Ave. in San Jose, 408-377-2504. They offer flexible rental terms, no minimum rental period, and no long-term obligations. All prices are monthly and include sales tax, and are applicable toward a new instrument of the same model or better. Insurance is available.

Some instruments are shown below. Availability also includes bassoons, horns, baritones/ euphoniums, bass clarinets, oboes, violas, cellos, and basses.

The screenshot shows the Music Village website with a table of instrument rental prices. The table is organized into columns for different instrument types, each with an image and price ranges for 'USED' and 'NEW' instruments. The instruments listed are Alto Saxophones, Tenor Saxophones, Trombones, Trumpets, Clarinets, Flutes, and Violins. Below the table, there is a navigation menu, contact information for two locations (Union Store and Santa Teresa Store), and store hours.

Instruments Available		Additional Instruments		Flexible Rental Terms	
Price subject to availability					
Alto Saxophones		Tenor Saxophones		Trombones	
USED \$45-\$67 NEW \$73-\$77		\$56-\$69 \$88-\$88		\$23-\$36 \$41-\$41	
				Trumpets	
				\$25-\$36 \$41-\$41	
				Clarinets	
				\$17-\$31 \$34-\$37	
				Flutes	
				\$20-\$30 \$35-\$35	
				Violins	
				\$15-\$31 \$25-\$36	

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 Union Store: 2971 Union Ave (at Foxworthy Ave) San Jose, CA 95124 408 377 2504
 Santa Teresa Store: 5885 Santa Teresa Blvd (at Snell Ave) San Jose, CA 95123 408 629 1812
 Store Hours: M-Th: 10 am - 8 pm, Fr: 10 am - 6 pm, Sa: 10 am - 5 pm

INSTRUMENTATION

Every music class must have a balanced sound in order to be successful. This means that some students may be asked to learn a new instrument. If there are not enough volunteers to switch instruments, auditions may be needed. For example, if there are too many violins and not enough violas, cellos, and basses, only the top-scoring students may remain on violin, and the rest would be asked to play a different instrument during class.

INSURING INSTRUMENTS

Although reasonably secure instrument storage is made available to students during the day, Berryessa Union School District is not responsible for personal property brought to school. Students will be instructed in class regarding strategies for protecting instruments from loss or theft, and should bring their instruments to the music room every morning at 7:45. Each student will be assigned a spot to store their instrument, and is responsible for keeping that spot in good condition. Students are *not* encouraged to carry instruments around during the school day. Please insure instruments on a homeowner's policy. If the instrument is being rented through a local music store, please buy the coverage through the store.

MUSIC STORES	ONLINE RESOURCES
Music Village* 408-377-2504 2971 Union Ave., San Jose <i>Full range instrument rentals, books, and accessories</i>	The Woodwind and Brasswind* www.wwbw.com <i>Full selection of everything related to brass, woodwinds, percussion, and strings</i>
Allegro Music 510-793-3500 3115 Walnut Ave., Fremont <i>Excellent brass and woodwind repairs, full range of accessories</i>	Musician's Friend: www.musiciansfriend.com <i>Reasonable selection of instruments and accessories at great prices</i>
Encore Music 408-262-4881 16 Corning Ave. #116, Milpitas	Smart Music: www.smartmusic.com <i>All advanced students must have an account</i>
Kamimoto Strings* 408-298-8168 609 North 4 th Street, San Jose <i>Excellent string repairs, full range of string instruments, books, and accessories</i>	J.W. Pepper: www.jwpepper.com <i>Music books, sheet music, and audio recordings of popular band/orchestra music</i>

*Recommended

ATTENDANCE

Attendance is a very important part of creating a successful musical ensemble. Without everyone at rehearsal, the group as a whole cannot improve. This includes daily class time, *as well as occasional before and after school rehearsals*. Students will be marked tardy if:

- They are not in the classroom by the time the bell rings AND/OR
- They are not in their seats with music, a pencil, and instrument set up by the designated time (Advanced = 3 minutes after bell, Cadet/Intermediate = 4 minutes after bell).

If a student needs to leave the room for any reason, he/she must first ask for permission, then sign out, and sign back in upon return to class.

ATTENDANCE AT EVERY CONCERT IS **REQUIRED**. Concert dates are announced now, so they take priority on your calendar. To earn full credit, every student must stay to the end of the concert.

RULES

1. Be Respectful. Respect yourself, other students, teacher, classroom, and instruments. Do not touch instruments that aren't yours. Don't complain about the daily schedule.
2. Be Responsible. Be responsible for yourself only. Practice at home as needed. Always be on time and come to class prepared.
3. Give 100% Effort. Always try your best during rehearsal, so we can all improve together.

CONSEQUENCES

1. Verbal warning.
2. Loss of daily participation points. Possible written warning. Number of points lost is based on the severity of the situation (maximum of three per day). Possible after-school detention.
3. Referral or removal from class. After three written warnings, or after a severe incident, student gets a referral to the office. Possible removal from music class for the rest of the school year.

There is absolutely no food, drink, or gum allowed in the music room. Only bottled water is allowed.

Food / drink / gum discipline procedures are as follows:

First three infractions: verbal warning.

Fourth infraction: "Written Statement" assignment

Fifth infraction: music room detention after school, and parent phone call or note sent home.

REWARDS

1. High Festival Ratings. An ensemble that works well together will earn high ratings at competitions.
2. Field Trips and Concerts. Well-behaved students will earn field trips throughout the year, and will have successful concert performances.
3. Positive Reputation. Make the Sierramont Music Department known throughout the community as a top performing group!
4. Have Fun! It's fun to be in an ensemble that sounds great!

GRADING

Grades in music class are strongly based on participation. Students receive all three daily participation points if they are on their best behavior, and come prepared with a pencil, instrument, and book/music. However, concert attendance, behavior, and participation is the **LARGEST** portion of a student's grade. Grading rubric is as follows:

- Concerts (attendance, behavior, participation, and wearing black dress clothes) – 40%
- Participation (being prepared, well-behaved, and eager to learn) – 25% (calculated monthly)
- Tests (scale tests, performance tests, and written theory tests) – 20%
- Classwork/Homework (in-class performances, theory, 100 minutes of practice per week) – 15%

EXTRA CREDIT

Attending any upper-level (high school or higher) classical music event will earn your student five extra credit points! I will let you know of upcoming community music concerts. They are usually inexpensive and fun for the entire family. Private lessons on a second instrument are also worth five points per month.

CLASS MATERIALS

The next two pages describe all the materials required for music class. To make sure you purchase the correct items, bring these pages with you to the music store!

BOOKS

The Intermediate Orchestra uses the book titled “Strictly Strings” Book 2. Advanced Orchestra uses the book titled “String Techniques for Superior Musical Performance” by Robert S. Frost. This year’s Advanced Orchestra book is purple. It is important that each student have their own, because we will be taking notes and practicing writing music in the books. Make sure you buy the book *for your student’s specific instrument*. Please e-mail me if you have any questions about which book to buy.

The price of the book is usually \$6.99 and can be found at the following locations:

- Online at www.jwpepper.com. Type the book title into the search bar.
- Music Village at 2971 Union Ave. in San Jose. (408) 377-2504
- Kamimoto String Instruments at 609 N. Fourth St. in San Jose. (408) 298-8168

Before you go to a music store, call ahead to ensure they have your correct level and instrument. If not, please consider ordering online.

MUSIC FOLDER

Every student must have a nice black folder to use during performances. We will be using the school’s matching deluxe black music folders. They are durable and last for years! Each student may borrow one for the year. However, if you would like to buy a custom folder with your student’s name engraved on the front, please send a check for \$20.00 to Sierramont Middle School, along with the “Music Folder Order Form.” The order form and check are due Tuesday, September 1, with the last page of this handbook.

INSTRUMENTS

Each student is responsible for acquiring and maintaining his/her instrument. There are three ways to acquire an instrument:

- Use a personal instrument
- Rent an instrument from a local music store
- Borrow an instrument from Sierramont

If your student does not have their own instrument, I recommend renting from a local music store. Their instruments are usually in very good condition, and they provide free or discounted repairs. It is a good investment. For example, at Music Village as mentioned earlier, all rental payments go toward the purchase of a new instrument.

Sierramont does have a limited number of instruments available to families who are unable to afford rental payments. These will be distributed for free, according to the family’s needs. A signed loan contract is required, and families will be responsible for any loss or damage of instruments.

INSTRUMENT ACCESSORIES

Instrument	Required	Optional
Violin	Rosin Violin Strings Chin Rest Shoulder Rest Fine Tuners	Cleaning Cloth Extra Bow Peg Glue
Viola	Rosin Viola Strings Chin Rest Shoulder Rest Fine Tuners	Cleaning Cloth Peg Glue
Cello	Cello Rosin	End pin rest or “donut” Spare cello strings Peg Glue
Bass		Bass Rosin

ALL BOOK, INSTRUMENT, AND ACCESSORY PURCHASES MUST BE COMPLETE BY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1. STUDENTS WILL NOT PLAY THEIR INSTRUMENTS UNTIL ALL EQUIPMENT IS PURCHASED/BORROWED, AND ALL PAPERWORK IS COMPLETE.

OTHER MATERIALS

The following items must be purchased (or borrowed) through the Sierramont music department:

- Music polo shirt and t-shirt
- Music folder
- \$120 Berryessa Music Boosters donation

ADVANCED MATERIALS

Students enrolled in Advanced band and orchestra must also purchase (or borrow from Sierramont) the following:

- Electronic tuner and metronome (recommended: Korg TM-50)
- SmartMusic subscription and microphone

UNIFORMS

All music students wear the same concert performance attire. It includes black dress pants and nice black shoes. Boys must wear black socks. Girls may wear either black socks or no socks. All students are required to wear a Sierramont Music shirt. The price of the shirt is \$18.00. Families facing financial difficulties may borrow a shirt from Sierramont. Students may not wear music shirts during the school day, outside of school, or at any time other than at concerts/assemblies. However, friends and family are encouraged to buy a shirt and wear it anytime to show their support for Sierramont Music!

IMPORTANT DATES

*Please write these dates in your calendar. The dates are announced far in advance, so that they will take priority if a scheduling conflict occurs. Remember, all performances are **mandatory**.*

DUE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

- Last two pages of this handbook, including...
- Music shirt order form (for everybody who does not already have a shirt) and a \$18.00 check
- Music folder order form (for anybody who would like a personalized folder) and a \$20.00 check
- If you are **borrowing** an instrument from Sierramont, you must bring your rental contract

All music supplies must be brought to school, including:

- Your instrument and a pencil
- Standard of Excellence book
- Required accessories (reeds, valve oil, etc.). **Percussionists**, bring your sticks. If you are not borrowing a drum from Sierramont, bring your practice pad to school to show you've bought one.
- Berryessa Music Booster form and one of the following options:
 1. Full payment of \$120 in a check made to Berryessa Music Boosters, Inc.
 2. First payment of \$40
 3. A smaller payment that fits your family's budget, **with note from parent**

Remember: No student will play their instrument in class until September 1 paperwork is turned in.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
September 10-24		Fall Fundraiser
Fri, Sept 11		Advanced students deadline to sign up for SmartMusic
Fri, Oct. 17?	2:45-8:00 p.m.	BUSD Advanced Choir Retreat, TBA
Tues, Oct. 20	6:30 p.m.	Choir Fall Concert
Tues, Dec. 1		All music students must have black concert clothes purchased
Wed, Dec. 9	6:30 p.m.	Band and Orchestra Winter Concert
Thurs, Dec. 10	7:00 p.m.	Choir Winter Concert
🎵 Fri, Dec. 11	school day	Winter Concert Assemblies
January, TBA		Spring Fundraiser
Fri, Jan 15	7:00 p.m.	Advanced Band and Orchestra Concert at PHHS
TBA, March	6:30 p.m.	Choir Spring Concert
Thurs, March 10	6:30 p.m.	Band & Orchestra Spring Concert
March, TBA	Morning-noon	Solo and Ensemble Festival at SJSU (all welcome to join)
March, TBA	Afternoon	CMEA Festival for Advanced Band and Orchestra
March 22 and 23	7:00 p.m.	Berryessa Music Fest. at the BYC (Advanced classes only)
Wed, April 6	6:00 p.m.	Disneyland Chaperone Meeting
🎵 Thurs, April 14 - Saturday, April 16		Disneyland! Advanced Choir, Band, Orchestra
🎵 April, TBA	1:00-6:00 p.m.	Cadet Band students perform at nursing homes
May, TBA	5:30-7:00 p.m.	Music Department End-of-the-Year Celebration
Sat, May 21	all day	Music in the Parks at Great America (Intermediate Band/Orch)
Tues, May 24	6:30 p.m.	Band and Orchestra End of the Year Concert
Thurs, May 26	6:30 p.m.	Choir End of the Year Concert
🎵 Fri, May 27	school day	End of the Year Concert Assemblies
Thurs, June 9	TBA	8 th gr. Promotion Ceremony (select band students perform)

🎵 = Could affect classes during the school day

*Please ensure you have read the handbook thoroughly, and complete the following pages. Return the last two pages only to school with your student by **Tuesday, September 1.***

COMPLETE FINANCIAL CHECKLIST

KEEP THIS COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS

Cost	Due	Who?	Item	CHOOSE ONE	OPTION
\$18	Tues. Sept. 1	All <u>new</u> music students	Music Shirt	<input type="checkbox"/> Will buy shirt and fill out order form <input type="checkbox"/> Already own	<input type="checkbox"/> Need to borrow a shirt because... _____ _____
\$20	Tues. Sept. 1	All Students	Music Folder	<input type="checkbox"/> Will buy personalized folder and fill out order form <input type="checkbox"/> Already own	<input type="checkbox"/> Prefer to borrow a folder
varies	Tues. Sept. 1	All Students	Instrument and all instrument accessories	<input type="checkbox"/> Will bring my own instrument <input type="checkbox"/> Will rent from a local music store	<input type="checkbox"/> Need to borrow an instrument because... _____ _____ Instrument: _____
\$6.95	Tues. Sept. 1	All Students	Music book (Int: Strictly Strings 2) (Adv: String Techniques for Superior Musical Performance)	<input type="checkbox"/> Will order online at www.jwpepper.com <input type="checkbox"/> Will buy at a local music store <input type="checkbox"/> Already own	<input type="checkbox"/> Need to borrow a book because... _____ _____ _____
\$120	Tues. Sept. 1	All Students	Berryessa Music Boosters Donation	<input type="checkbox"/> Will pay \$120 by Sept 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Will pay \$40 in Sept, Oct, and Nov. <input type="checkbox"/> Will pay smaller amount: \$_____ and will write a note to Mrs. McVeigh	<input type="checkbox"/> Cannot afford donation because: _____ _____ _____
varies	Dec. 1	All Students	ALL BLACK clothes	<input type="checkbox"/> Will provide my own (required)	(No rental options available)
\$29.99	Tues. Sept. 1	Advanced classes only	Electronic Tuner <i>and</i> metronome	<input type="checkbox"/> Will order online (suggested: www.wvbw.com , search "Korg TM-50") <input type="checkbox"/> Will buy at a local store <input type="checkbox"/> Already own	<input type="checkbox"/> Need to borrow a tuner because... _____ _____ _____
\$40	Fri. Sept. 11	Advanced classes only	SmartMusic subscription and computer microphone	<input type="checkbox"/> Will buy a year subscription only (\$40) <input type="checkbox"/> Will buy a year subscription and a microphone (additional \$19.95 for 1/8", \$29.95 for USB)	<input type="checkbox"/> Need to use classroom computer because I can't take my instrument home, we don't have a computer, or can't afford it. Reason: _____ _____

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SIERRAMONT MUSIC DEPARTMENT PARENT INFO SHEET

Due Tuesday, September 1

Student's Full Name: _____ Class: _____

Student's Instrument Choices

1. First Choice: _____

2. Second Choice: _____

Parent #1 Name: _____

Parent Phone: (daytime) _____ (evening) _____

Parent Email Address (print clearly): _____

Check here if you received Mrs. McVeigh's emails last year and your email address hasn't changed

I am interested in being a volunteer! Please put me on the list for:

- Helping with set-up or clean-up at concerts
- Instrument repair pick-up / drop-off in Fremont
- Instrument repair pick-up / drop-off in downtown San Jose
- Chaperoning (to festivals and local events)
- Chaperoning (to Disneyland, if applicable)
- Helping with fundraisers (including counting money)
- Other: _____

Parent #2 (optional)

Name: _____

Parent Phone: (daytime) _____ (evening) _____

Parent Email Address: _____

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I agree to sign my student's practice record every month. I will make sure he/she practices 100 minutes per week.

I have read the Orchestra Handbook. I understand all the class requirements and outside-of-school responsibilities. I understand my student will be graded on some outside-of-school activities.

I give permission to use my child's picture on... The Sierramont Website YouTube

Comments: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Order Form - Sierramont Music Shirt
Due Tuesday, September 1

The dress for Sierramont music concerts includes a uniform black collared shirt. It is a nice cotton/polyester blend polo shirt, with a Sierramont Music logo on the left pocket area. All music students are required to own the shirt. Parents, friends, and family members are also encouraged to buy a shirt... Show your support for Sierramont Music!

Shirts are \$18 each

Student Name: _____

Class (Advanced/Intermediate/Cadet, Band/Orchestra): _____

Qty.	Size	Qty.	Size	Qty.	Size
_____	Youth Medium (10-12)	_____	Adult Small	_____	Adult XL
_____	Youth Large (14-16)	_____	Adult Medium	_____	Adult XXL (\$20.00)
_____	Youth X-Large (16-18)	_____	Adult Large	_____	Adult XXXL (\$20.00)

TOTAL # SHIRTS: _____ TOTAL \$ ATTACHED (checks only): _____

PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH. Make checks payable to Sierramont Middle School.

We cannot afford to pay for the shirt, and would like to borrow one from the school for the year.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: _____

----- Please cut along dotted line ✂ -----

Order Form – Personalized Music Folder (optional)
Due on Tuesday, September 1

Ordering a music folder is optional. These folders are large black leatherette with brass reinforcements on the corners. The front will be engraved with “Sierramont Middle School Music Department” and the student’s name, if you choose. These folders are great, and can last for many years!

Folders are \$20 each

Student Name: _____

Class (Advanced/Intermediate/Cadet, Band/Orchestra): _____

Exact name to be engraved on the folder: _____

TOTAL # FOLDERS: _____ TOTAL \$ ATTACHED (checks only): _____

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The shirt payment and the folder payment may be combined for a total of \$38.00