



Abington School District Department

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Elementary Instrumental Music - Fall 2020 Beginner Strings Updates

Dear Parents/Guardians of Third Grade Students,

Please be reminded that all third graders interested in joining the elementary strings program are still warmly invited to do so. You can access all the information you need on our registration webpage.

www.musicrecruitment.com/abington

Please complete your registration by **Friday, 10/30**.

Here, you may complete online registration and instrument rental with ease. Here, we also include information shared at our virtual family meeting last week as well as a few updates which are summarized on the following page.

The instrumental music team enjoyed getting to virtually meet with interested students and families last Monday evening. We look forward to connecting with all interested students. If you have questions, please let us know at <https://tinyurl.com/bandstringquestions>.

As always, we remain committed to providing all students meaningful, inclusive, and successful pathways to experiencing the Arts in ASD.

Sincerely,

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Register

Form

Click on the 3rd grade string form on the recruitment website to register.

Your registration will go directly to the instrumental music team so they can schedule you into Skyward and Google Classroom.

Once scheduled, the instrumental music teachers will message parents (via Skyward) and students (via Google Classroom) to confirm their lesson day and 9:00 a.m. lesson time along with instructions on how to join the join the first virtual lesson.

Prepare

Instrument

Rent, buy, or use your own. Consult with an instrumental music team member if you are encountering barriers.

Zeswitz is recommended for rentals. Rent online from the recruitment website. Select free delivery to your child's school. Families are encouraged to rent from any vendor they feel best meets their needs.

Book

One is provided to your student by the district.

Pick Up

Beginning:

**Wednesday, 11/4
12:00 p.m -3:30 p.m.**

Collect book and, if rented, instrument at your child's school. If you are not able to pick up on 11/4, you may do so on business days thereafter between 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Begin

Virtual Lessons

Beginning:

Monday, 11/9

McKinley & Willow Hill

Tuesday, 11/10

Copper Beech

Thursday, 11/12

Highland & Rydal

Friday, 11/13

Overlook & Roslyn

Virtual lesson days and times will remain the same through Tuesday 11/24. After that during hybrid instruction, instrument lessons will continue virtually when students are at home. The instrumental team will review any virtual lesson schedule changes with their students as part of their lesson and parents via Skyward messages as soon as they are available.

All lessons are available as scheduled synchronous classes like other special content area classes. Assignments are also available asynchronously for each class. Students who receive pull-out programming during the school day will need to asynchronously access instruction and complete assignments for any subject content they may have missed while attending the pull-out programming. Conversely, if a student is unable to attend their band/string lesson, they should complete that work asynchronously.