



# HOPKINS AFTER-SCHOOL BEGINNING STRING ORCHESTRA

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## OPEN TO Incoming 4<sup>th</sup> AND 5<sup>th</sup> GRADERS

The Hopkins Music Department will be offering 2 BEGINNING AFTER-SCHOOL STRING ORCHESTRA classes for the 2016-17 school year. This program will be open to all incoming 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> graders for the 2016-2017 school year who are interested in playing violin, viola, or cello (with NO experience required). *\*Students who already play a string instrument (violin, viola, cello) should register for the Intermediate or Advanced class based on their experience level!\**

### Beginning Orchestra

- 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade **BEGINNING** Orchestra – Open to students at Chadbourne, Gomes, Mission Valley, Mission San Jose  
*\*6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students are not allowed in the Beginning String Classes!*
- There are TWO Beginning classes offered:
  - Beginning Class #1**
  - Meets every Monday
  - 4:45-5:45pm at Hopkins Junior High, Room 24
  - Beginning Class #2**
  - Meets every Monday
  - 6:00-7:00pm at Hopkins Junior High, Room 24
- No experience necessary – Beginners only on Violin, Viola, Cello

The Music Department at Hopkins JHS will be hosting the program. The cost of this program is a **one-time \$190 tax deductible donation** for the entire year (September-May). This includes the cost of a book for the class as well. Students will need to be transported to and from Hopkins. *(No student will be denied participation due to financial reasons.)*

Students will study the basics of string instrument technique and music theory. They will work on improving their technique and skills through exercises, etudes, small group playing, full orchestra literature, and method book study. Students will participate in 2-3 concerts during the school year. The classes are designed to prepare students for eventual participation in the Award-Winning Hopkins JHS String Orchestras, which are among the best in California!

**BEGINNERS:** The first class meeting will allow students to see the violin, viola, and cello and make a choice on which instrument they would like to play. Students will be required to rent or buy their string instrument from one of our local music stores. **Please DO NOT buy or rent your instrument before the first class.** Students will not know what instrument they are playing until the first class. More information will be provided in September.

Involvement in music benefits the students in many ways. Colleges look highly upon student's who participate in music. The enjoyment that a student gets from succeeding on their instrument and the lasting friendships that are made will stay with them for a lifetime.

### **DO NOT SEND ANY MONEY NOW. IT WILL INVALIDATE YOUR APPLICATION.**

Just fill out the form below. Please mail the form to:

*Mr. Greg Conway, Attention: Beg. Elementary Orchestra  
Hopkins Junior High School Music  
P.O. Box 1073, Fremont, CA 94538*

### **NOTE: INCLUDE A SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE**

➤ **FORMS DUE BY August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016**

**PARENTS:** Please include a valid email address so you can receive confirmation that your form was received. You will then receive an enrollment confirmation at a later date. Please write neatly!!!

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Please detach and **mail** to the above address by **August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. PRINT NEATLY, PLEASE!!!!**

**Do not turn this in to your teacher – Mail Only – Include a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope**

➤ **Applications will be processed on a First Come, First Served basis based on date received.**

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Elementary School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (in 2016-17): \_\_\_\_\_

Please Select a Class: \_\_\_\_\_ BEG. ORCHESTRA \_\_\_\_\_ BEG. ORCHESTRA \_\_\_\_\_ NO PREFERENCE  
(4:45-5:45 Mon.) (6:00-7:00 Mon.) (May increase chances of being accepted)

Parent's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

***\*DO NOT RENT/PURCHASE INSTRUMENTS UNTIL AFTER THE FIRST CLASS MEETING!***

*(Beginning Strings)*