

September 2020

Instrument Assignment

Selected 3rd, 4th graders and 5th grade students have the opportunity to participate in the Brookside instrumental program. Students received information about the program in June and were asked to make three instrument choices. Because of the growing number of students and because of physical considerations, first choices were not always available. Therefore, your child may have been assigned to a second or third choice. Please be assured that careful consideration was given in regard to your child's instrument assignment.

Lessons

Instrumental music lessons will be held weekly on an every other month basis this year. I am assigned to Brookside School for the months of September, November, January, March and May. Included in this packet is a *Rotating Lesson Schedule* indicating the time and date of each lesson. Your child will be given one 1/2 hour lesson each week during the assigned months.

Practice

Diligent and consistent practice is expected and required for success on any musical instrument. Students are expected to continue home practicing assignments on "off" months. Required minimum daily practice has been established as follows: 15 minutes for 3rd graders, 20 minutes for 4th and 5th graders. Each student will be given a practice sheet where they will record their daily practice time. This sheet should be signed by a parent each week (even if the required practice time is not met). If a student is absent on the day of a lesson, they are expected to see me when they return to school to obtain missed work and assignments. Remember, Instrumental Music students receive a grade on their report card. Fourth and fifth grade students must complete a proficiency evaluation at the end of the year.

Extra Help

Extra help will be available to your child *by appointment only*.

Sincerely,



Kristy Montalbano
Instrumental Music Teacher

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We have read the above and understand the requirements for participation in the Instrumental Music Program.

Parent's Signature

Student's Signature

Date

Please sign and return the bottom portion of this sheet as soon as possible.