Kirkwood Elementary Orchestra 2021–2022

WELCOME!

Our Teachers



Mrs. Fariga Drayton-Conway

KHS Symphonic Orchestra Nipher Orchestra Beginning Cello



Ms. Sarah Klevorn

KHS Concert Orchestra NKMS Orchestra Beginning Violin & Viola

Beginning Orchestra



Mr. Patrick Jackson
Beginning Bass



Ms. Hannah Frey

Beginning Violin



Mr. Joseph Kaminsky

Beginning Violin

5th Grade Orchestra



Mrs. Cynthia Brown



Ms. Marie Brown

Administrators



Liz Grana
District Arts
Administrator



Elizabeth Wright
Performing Arts
Secretary



Dr. Dana Liberton NKMS Principal

Our Students and Success

- *National Orchestra Cup at Alice Tully Hall in New York City
- *Carnegie Hall (Nipher & KHS)
- *Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic (Nipher)
- *Missouri Music Educator's Association Conference (Nipher, NKMS, & KHS)
- *Sweepstakes and Division Winners at Heritage Music Festival in Atlanta, Chicago, and Orlando
- *20+ Straight Years of Superior and Superior Plus Ratings at St Louis Large Group Festival
- *Dozens of students have attended top music schools in the nation including Eastman, Oberlin, Rice, Cleveland Institute of Music, New England Conservatory, and others, and now working as professors, teachers, professional orchestral and freelance musicians

KOPA

Provides volunteer and financial support for our students and teachers

Sponsors a variety of social events throughout the year in order to create a sense of community within our program

KOPA by the numbers...

430	students in our program
3	teachers who are program alums
7	separate orchestras within our program
20	years of Superior ratings
16,400	dollars raised in 2019
2,100	cookies served per year
2,000	dollars in contest fees
	dollars given in scholarships annually

2017-Present KOPA Support

- Summer camp scholarships (all levels)
- Concert receptions (all levels)
- Social/Community Events (all levels)
- Host Summer String Camp (elementary)
- High School Trip cost reduction per student
- All High School and Middle School Accompanist and Entry fees for Solo/Ensemble Festival
- Repair beyond school budgets for class instruments
- Supplement classroom supplies, furniture, and other needs
- Lessons scholarships



Goody Bags

- \$65 Goody Bag includes
 Orchestra T-shirt,
 drawstring bag, instrument
 cleaning cloth, and
 notebook.
- Last Order Date: Friday,
 September 10.
- ONLINE ORDERING:



Orchestra Website:

https://kirkwoodorchestras. wixsite.com/kirkwood



Want to get involved? You can Help!

- Hospitality for Elementary
- Hospitality for NKMS/Nipher
- Hospitality for KHS
- Festival of Strings
- Goody Bag Distribution
- Social Events
- Summer Scholarships
- Senior Recognition
- KHS Orchestra Banquet
- String Camp



Contact: Kelly Judge, KOPA

President

kellyjudge@rocketmail.com

314-406-2935 (feel free to text!)

How does this year work?

Monday/Wednesday: students belong to NORTH attendance area (Keysor, Westchester, ½ Tillman)

FIRST DAY: MON, SEPT 13

Tuesday/Friday classes: students belong to NIPHER attendance area (North Glendale, Robinson, ½ Tillman)

FIRST DAY: TUES, SEPT 14

If you are a Tillman attendee and don't know what middle school you will attend, call Kate Austin in the Tillman office at 314-213-6100 ext 5301.

ALL CLASSES at North Kirkwood Middle School. Drop-off 7:15-7:25 am.



First Day Procedures

Monday, Sept 13 for Monday/Wednesday classes Tuesday, Sept 14 for Tuesday/Friday classes

All students meet in cafeteria, teachers will walk them to classrooms

Students report directly to classrooms after first day

Calendar

Follow Elementary and District Calendar

No class- if district closed, conference days, snow schedule

We DO meet on ½ days

Rental Suggestions

Top Notch Violins

3109 Sutton Blvd, Maplewood, MO 63143

(314) 696-2172

Clemens Violins

6353 Clayton Rd, St. Louis, MO 63117 (314) 727-4787

St Louis Strings

6331 Clayton Ave, St. Louis, MO 63139

(314) 644-6999

Care and Repair

Please leave it to your child's teacher or a professional!



Grading

- 1- Beginning
- 2- Approaching
- 3- Meeting
- 4- Surpassing

Grades will come home quarterly on child's elementary report card.

Private Lessons

Not recommended first year of instruction.

Your child's teacher will send recommendations for private teachers and summer camps in the spring semester.

summer

Important Dates

SEPT 13 | First Day of EIM | 7:15am | North Attendance Area SEPT 14 | First Day of EIM | 7:15am | Nipher Attendance Area **All classes meet at North Kirkwood Middle School

SEPT 24 I Goody Bag Order Deadline

DEC 6-10 | EIM Open House | 7:30 am | North Kirkwood Middle School

FEB 23 | Festival of Strings | 7:30pm | KHS Gym

MAY 11 | EIM Spring Concert | 7:30pm | KHS Gym

Dates TBA | Kirkwood Orchestra String Camp | NKMS

1. Everything is on SCHOOLOGY

2. Goal for students is to "finish the book"





Parent Login:

- Go to www.schoology.com.
- 2. Click **Sign Up** at the top of the page and and choose **Parent**.
- 3. Enter your Parent Access Code. This is a 12-digit code in **xxxx-xxxx** format that you receive from KSD as an email..
- 4. Fill out the form with your information.
- 5. Click **Register** to complete.

When you use a Parent Access Code to create an account, you are automatically associated to your child. You can add additional children to your account using the Add Child button.

Schoology Student Login

Username: Student Number

Password: Birthday (MMDDYYYY)

Please make sure Kirkwood School District is selected.



Find on Schoology:

Calendar and Dates

Instructional Videos for EVERY class assignment

Assignment due dates and progress benchmarks

Practice Aids: notereading quizzes and web resources













Use this tool to see how your course appears to each member. You can always change the visiblity of your course materials by adjusting the availability options for

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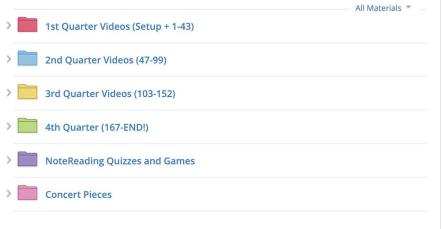
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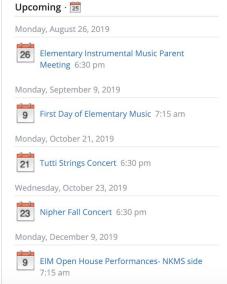
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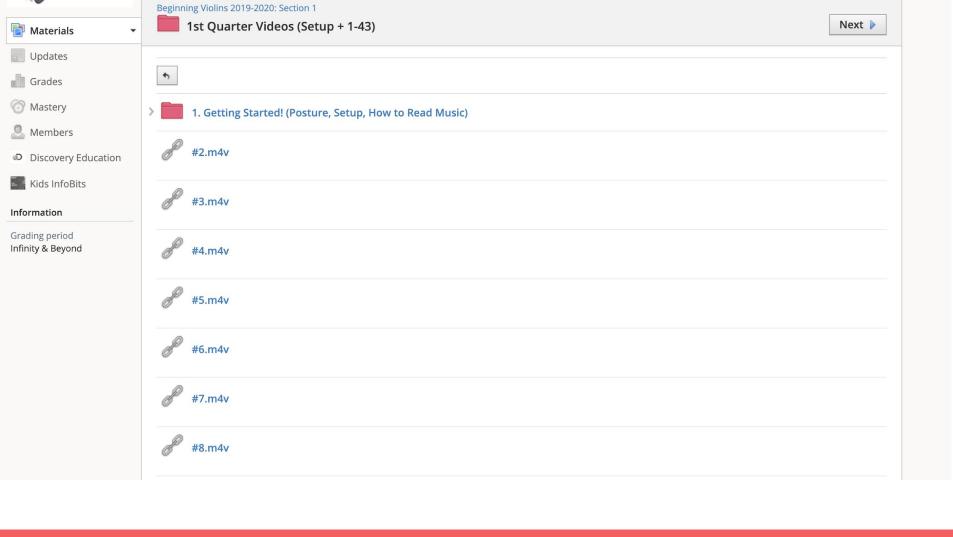
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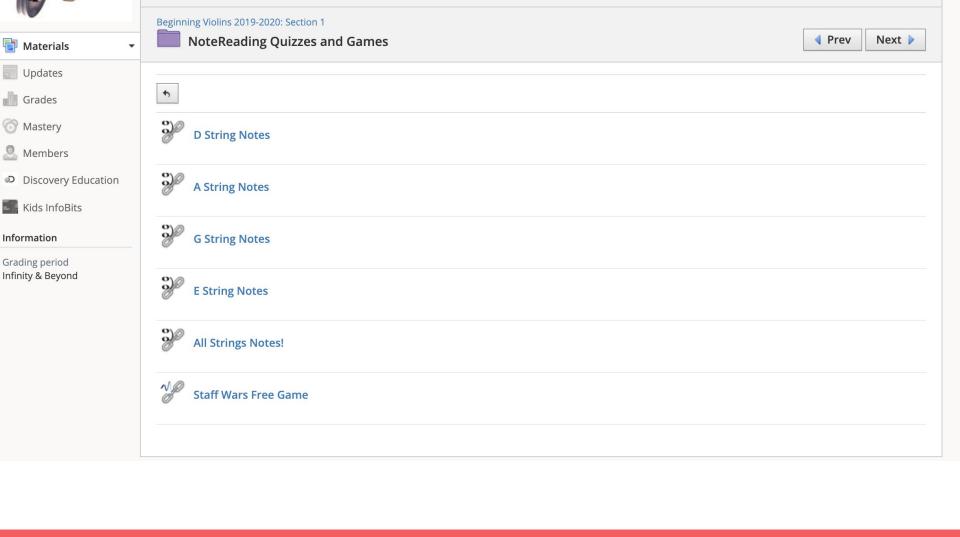
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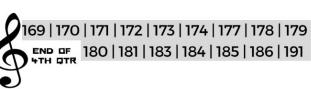




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Finish the Book!

Beginning Orchestra

Essential Elements 1

Q1: 43

Q2:99

Q3: 153

Q4: 191

5th Grade Orchestra

Essential Elements 2

Q1: 36

Q2: 79

Q3: 118

Q4: 173

We expect your child to practice.

Some strategies:

- *Choose a consistent time to practice.
- *Practice before doing other homework.
- *Reward good practice habits.
- *Monitor what is going on during practice.
- *Know that your child may not always feel like practicing--this is normal! For most, this is an unfamiliar skill and DIFFICULT. The hardest part is taking the instrument out of the case.

Beginning: Need to Know

- Bring 2 rubberbands (violin & viola), a pencil, and the book to each class
- Basses do not need to bring home instrument
- Cellos <u>do</u> need to bring home instrument
- Please, do not touch the bow. Don't let other kids, siblings, adults play with your instrument.
- Attendance: please email Mrs. Drayton-Conway or Ms.
 Klevorn (beginning) or either Ms. Brown (5th Grade) if your child is absent.

Welcome to an amazing journey in music.

Let's make it a great year!!!