

5th grade Orchestra (2nd year)

Ms Jillian Forbes-Rycroft & Mrs. Lyndra Tingley: Directors

Welcome to 5th grade Orchestra at Prairiewood! We hope you and your family had a wonderful summer, we are thrilled to have the opportunity to work with your child this year in orchestra!

We will start the year off by reviewing and completing Essential Elements Book 1, we will then move on to Essential Elements Book 2 in October. In addition to book songs students will also have the opportunity to perform several additional pieces outside of the book this year!

All 5th Grade orchestra lessons will be on FRIDAYS, and will start on August 21.
As it was last year, the students will be excused for 30 minutes of class for their lessons. For the first few weeks, we may meet in large group lessons. Please help remind your child to bring their instrument and music to school every Friday for orchestra lessons. Teachers will also post the schedule, but it will also be your student's responsibility to remember their lesson time.

5th grade after school Orchestra rehearsals will start on September 10, and will meet weekly on THURSDAYS, students may leave their instruments at school after Thursday afternoon practices for lessons during the day on Friday. This year, your musician will have the opportunity to work with Mrs. Tingley, CMS/WHS director, in After School Practices throughout this year! **After school rehearsals will take place from 2:10-3:00 pm, and students will need transportation home at 3:00 pm.**

The reverse side of this letter contains all concert, field trip and special orchestra dates that will take place throughout this school year. Please add these dates to your calendar and keep this document for reference!

Please fill out the attached transportation form stapled to this document and have your child return it to their classroom teacher or school office by Friday, August 28th. **If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to reach out via email or dojo! We are looking forward to a great year working with your musician!**

Thank you!

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There will be <u>one in school field trip</u> and <u>three orchestra concerts</u> this year! Please add the following dates to your calendar:				
Date	**Time**	**Event**	**Ensemble**	**Location**
Friday, October 2nd	~2:30pm	Parade Promenade*	Optional for all Olson 5th Grade Orchestra	WHS
Monday, December 14th	6:00pm	Winter Concert	PWE/DES 4th & 5th Orchestras	CMS
Monday, April 19th	8:30-11am (in school)	D200 Festival Field Trip	5th Grade Orchestra	WNHS
Monday, April 19th	6:30pm	D200 Festival Concert	All 4th-12th Gr Orchestra Members	WNHS
Monday, May 10th	6pm	Southside Finale Concert	WWE/PWE/DES 4th/5th +CMS Pop Orchestra	WHS

On <u>October 2nd</u> Prairiewood 5th grade Orchestra students will have the opportunity to march in the Woodstock High School Homecoming Parade alongside the Woodstock High School Orchestra float! This event is optional and more details will be sent out as we get closer to the date!

After School Orchestra will take place <u>*EVERY THURSDAY*</u> from 2:10-3:00pm starting 9/10 and going until the end of the school year with the exception of the following dates…..	
No After School Practice on…	Due to…..
September 17th	½ Day of School
October 8th	No School (Conferences)
October 22nd	½ Day of School
November 26th	No School
December 24th & 31st	Winter Break
January 28th	½ Day of School
February 11th	½ Day of School
March 11th	½ Day of School
April 1st	Spring Break

Please fill out the transportation information on the next page to indicate how your child will be getting home from after school practices.

Please fill out and return this form by Friday August 28th (or as soon as possible)
You can also fill out the transportation portion of this form digitally by going to the following link: **https://forms.gle/kCadVXna2SPQPZXm8**

Student Name: _____

Guardian Name(s): _____

Guardian Contact Information:

Home #_____

Cell #_____

Guardian Email: _____

Student Classroom Teacher: _____

Please select one

____My child intends to continue in Orchestra this year and still has an instrument.

____My child intends to continue in Orchestra but does not have an instrument at this time and I would like assistance obtaining another instrument.

____My child will not be continuing in Orchestra this year and will return the instrument. (Please email jforbes-rycroft@wcusd200.org)

After School Orchestra Information Please check which applies:

____My child will be getting a ride home from a parent/guardian

____My child will be getting a ride home from a friend

Who:_____

Phone:_____

____My child will be going to Kids Club

____My child will be walking home