

Crescenta Valley High School Visual and Performing Arts Department String Orchestra Supplement 2017-2018

String Orchestra is a 1-year class for the intermediate to advanced string or piano player. This class will further develop music reading skills and playing techniques. It meets the Visual and Performing Arts Standards by developing and expanding musical expression, string orchestral music concepts, aesthetic judgments, connections in society, as well as providing a greater understanding of music from various classical periods, composers, and cultures. Performance participation is a requirement of the class.

String Orchestra performs at school and at adjudicated festivals throughout the entire school year as well as the Spring Trip. Occasionally we will send small groups out into the community to perform. It is a privilege to be a member of the Crescenta Valley High School String Orchestra since it represents the school at every performance.

Additional String Orchestra Requirements

Students will be required to share music lockers since there is a shortage of lockers. When students share lockers, it is each student's responsibility to share the cost of a lock and know the locker combination. Students must let Mr. Schick or the class Equipment Manager know if they desire to change lockers.

Each student should have an extra supply of strings and rosin for their instrument. Although the school has some available, supplies are limited.

If you want to use a school shoulder rest, one will be issued to you. There is a \$20 replacement cost if it is not returned at the end of the year.

Instruments

Instruments may be available for use; however priority will be given to students who do not own their own. Instruments will be distributed in class.

Please consider making a voluntary contribution to help cover the costs of instrument maintenance, repair, and replacement. We suggest the following amounts for families who have students using school instruments who wish to make voluntary contributions:

- Brass or Wind Instrument - \$90 for the entire year (paid at the start of school), or \$50 per semester
- Percussion - \$50 for the entire year (paid at the start of school), or \$30 per semester
- Piano - \$30 year

IMPORTANT NOTE: Most of the expenses that CV Instrumental Music Department incurs are NOT covered by the school or the District. To pay for all the important components of our orchestra classes (Adjudicated Festivals, transportation, etc) we rely almost exclusively on donations from parents and families, as well as from various fundraising events.

In order to continue the Instrumental program at the current high level, we strongly encourage the families to make a voluntary contribution to the Crescenta Valley Instrumental Music Foundation!

CVIMF is a 501(c)(3) non-profit foundation, so all contributions are tax-deductible.