

ALL PARENTS OF 1ST, 2ND AND 3RD YEARS
IT'S TIME FOR PARENT SUZUKI CLASS!!!

Classes will start ~~soon~~, on August 23rd and 28th respectively.

As you know, there is no way to honor all schedules, but I have done my best to give you options.

We will have seven classes and one performance. Don't worry; it's a group performance for your kids! There are two options each week. Please pick one or the other. If you have to change classes, please e-mail Ms. Alissa (ahamilton@tmesnm.com) or send a note via the communication folder. Phone is not the best way to contact me because I have classes all day every day.

FAMILIES ARE EXEMPT IF:

- YOUR CHILD IS IN PRIVATE SUZUKI LESSONS AND THEREFORE YOU ALREADY HAVE PARENT EDUCATION
- YOU ALREADY TOOK IT FOR AN OLDER SIBLING

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO TAKE THE CLASS REGARDLESS IF YOU'VE TAKEN IT BEFORE OR HAVE AN OLDER CHILD NEW TO STRINGS! ONLY ONE PARENT HAS TO COME, BUT CONSIDER HAVING ANY OTHER CAREGIVERS COME WITH YOU, OR IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS.

Options:

1. Mondays from 5pm-6pm Aug. 23,30 Sept. 13,20,27 Oct. 4,11 Performance Oct. 18 5:30pm
2. Saturdays from 11am-12pm Aug. 28 Sept. 11,18,25 Oct. 2,9,16 Performance Oct. 18 5:30pm

PLEASE BE PROMPT TO CLASS AND HAVE YOUR READING FINISHED. THE INSTRUMENTS NEED TO BE TUNED AND WE HAVE A LOT TO COVER.

Option 1 is the only class with child care available. AfterCare is available to TMES students at no fee from 3:30-6. Non-TMES students need to stay home. Please do not bring children to class. This is your time and they will not enjoy sitting there. Families in the past have traded babysitting and these families picked two different options. It's only for seven classes, this one time. You will not need to do this every year.

Materials for class:

- A full size instrument. We can provide violins for class only, but having one to practice on at home really helps! Otherwise, use your child's. We do not have cellos to use in class.
- *Learning Together* by Scott, Dick, and Crock (purchased for your child with the cd)
- *To Learn With Love* by William Starr
- *Helping Parents Practice* Volume 1 by Edmund Sprunger
- A notebook/folder to take notes and keep handouts

The above books may be found at Robertson's or on-line often used for a discount on sites like Amazon.com

Additional reading:

- *Nurtured by Love* by Shinichi Suzuki
- *Ability Development from Age Zero* by Shinichi Suzuki

These books are not required for class, but will give you great insight into helping your child over the next years at TMES.

Please contact Ms. Alissa with any questions or concerns. If all of this is news to you, please read the student/parent handbook for more information about the TMES music policy.

-Ms. Alissa