

to register for the program!

Patrick Henry Instrumental Music Program

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Dear Parents of 4th and 5th graders,

Registration is open for the 2016 - 2017 Patrick Henry Instrumental Music Program. Please register as soon as you are able to, so that I can start scheduling the classes for the school year. Registration is available online at: <u>http://goo.gl/forms/45CVkvgHLBreKeXE2</u> If you filled out the form this summer, no need to fill it out again. If you can't remember, feel free to register again! You can also reach the link via our Patrick Henry Music Page: <u>https://henry.apsva.us/music/</u>, or by scanning in the qr code above!

Your child can choose from a variety of band and orchestra instruments: violin, viola, cello, string bass, flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, and trombone. If students sign up for a band or orchestra instrument, they are also eligible to sign up for the bucket drumming group, which meets before school, once a week, starting in February. All lessons are free!

We have violins, violas, cellos and basses to rent from the school, as well as a limited number of band instruments. Once all of the instruments have been rented, you will have to rent an instrument from a music store. **First priority for school rentals will go to the students on free and reduced lunch.** School rental prices are \$100; \$50 for students on reduced lunch, and \$25 for students on free lunch.

There are two stores close by that I recommend: Foxes Music (Downtown Falls Church, 416 South Washington Street, 703-533-7393) and Music and Arts (Alexandria - on King Street, in the small shopping center next to TGI Fridays, 4665 King Street, 703-820-3610). I have flyers for both of those stores in my classroom. Chuck Levin's music store in Wheaton, MD, has a good deal on school year rentals, as well: <u>http://www.chucklevins.com/instrument-rentals/</u>

We give two school concerts a year - usually one in December and one in May. Very advanced band and string players may want to audition for the Junior Honors Band or Orchestra (grades 4-6). Information can by found here:

https://www.apsva.us/arts-education-overview/honors-band-orchestra-and-chorus/

The best way to contact Ms. Roth is by email: <u>Estelle.roth@apsva.us</u>. If you have ANY questions or concerns about the program, or information on instrument rental or purchase, please feel free to contact me anytime!

Please visit our website for more information: <u>https://henry.apsva.us/music/</u> Thanks, Estelle Roth, Band and Orchestra Director