

2021/2022



Play a Strings Instrument at FSES

Dear 4th, 5th, 6th Grade Parents/Guardians and Students,

Your students at Franklin Sherman ES have an opportunity for enrichment through **free string** (4th, 5th and 6th grades) **and band** (5th and 6th grades only) **instrument instruction**. Group lessons are scheduled once per week on Wednesdays.

Please note that each string instrument comes in a variety of sizes to fit the needs of each player; however, students who choose cello or bass must have parental transportation on their strings day to bring the instrument to and from school.

Instruments will be needed starting September 8th. Students will need to provide their own instruments and accessories. Generally, we suggest taking advantage of the liberal rental/purchase plans available at our local music dealers. Make sure to rent/purchase an instrument from a reputable store that specializes in musical instruments. We do have an extremely limited number of school-owned instruments for rent. FCPS will provide violins and violas for students who receive financial assistance for a one-time fee. All music books will be provided by the school at no cost to the students.

Click here to register: [Registration Form](#)

Local Instrument Rentals:

<https://www.musicarts.com/rentals>

<https://dayviolins.com/instrument-rentals/>

<https://www.foxesmusic.com/>

https://ffviolins.com/?page_id=77

<https://brobstviolinshop.com/>

We feel strongly that any student who has demonstrated good work habits in the past and who is willing to practice just 60 minutes a week can learn to play a musical instrument. This worthwhile activity can help develop social skills, self-concept, cooperative talents, and the creative mind. Signing up for string and band lessons is a **year-long commitment**.

If you are unable to fill out the online form above, or have further questions, please contact me at mpbabb@fcps.edu

Sincerely,

Mrs. Babb