

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Group: \_\_\_\_\_

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade - Quarter 4 Technique Class (2016-2017)**

Students need the following at every technique class:

- Instrument & Bow (with rosin on the bow hair)
- Orchestra Expressions Book 1 (Yellow Book only)
- Orchestra Binder and a Pencil
- Short fingernails
- Shoulder rest for violins & violas

Always practice with good posture and positions. While practicing, listen to the CD for a good example of how each song should sound. You have the option to fill in your performance score at each class.

	Assignments:	Prepared with Materials (see above)
Session #1: Be prepared to play this assignment	-OE: Page 38, #120 Staccato March	/10
Session #2: Be prepared to play this assignment	-OE: Page 38, #120 Staccato March -OE: Page 51, #170 & 171 C Major Scale #1 & #2 and Arpeggio	/10
Session #3: Be prepared to play this assignment	-OE: Page 38, #120 Staccato March -OE: Page 51, #170 & 171 C Major Scale #1 & #2 and Arpeggio -OE: Page 53, #173 Sakura	/10
Session #4: Be prepared to play this assignment	<u>Benchmark Solo Performance Day!</u> -OE: Page 38, #120 Staccato March -OE: Page 51, #170 & 171 C Major Scale #1 & #2 and Arpeggio -OE: Page 53, #173 Sakura	/10
		<u>Benchmark Performance Score</u> /50

*This quarter, all students should also be practicing the following songs in the Orchestra Expressions Book 1:*

- #103, 105, 113, 115, 119, 120, 122, 126, 127, 133, 134, 144, 147, 148, 149, 150, 170, 171, 173

Looking for Great Summer Music Opportunities?

- Over the summer, find some time to take out both of your 6<sup>th</sup> grade books and review/learn all of the songs! You will enjoy seeing how easy the beginning of the books will be for you, and it is a great review! Remember to always use your best posture and positions! There are many other songs later in the books to figure out that will be wonderful for you to learn!
- Now is a great time to get signed up for Summer Orchestra! Check it out at [www.summermusic204.org](http://www.summermusic204.org). There is an early bird discount for signing up early! Continuing to play over the summer will help you come back strong and be a leader in 7<sup>th</sup> grade!
- Private lessons are also a great enrichment! Ask your orchestra teacher for more information on private teachers who give lessons at our high schools as well as our guided practice teachers.

### **Weekly Practice Information:**

Shorter practice sessions that are consistent each week are far better for students' progress than marathon sessions on the weekends. Our goal is to help students develop a good routine for practice habits. Most students will need help from an adult to develop a practice schedule. Thank you in advance for helping your child with this process.

Students earn 10 points each week for submitting their online practice reflection ([www.gregoryorchestras.weebly.com](http://www.gregoryorchestras.weebly.com)) before Sunday at 11:59 p.m. Late assignments will not be accepted.

- **Parent/Guardian Confirmation** – Please confirm with your child each week that the practice reflection has been completed along with a parent/guardian's online signature.
- **6<sup>th</sup> Grade Practice Goal:** (10-15 minutes daily) 5-7 days = 5 pts; 4 days = 4 pts; 3 days = 3 pts; 2 days = 2 pts; 1 day = 1 pt.
- **7<sup>th</sup> Grade Practice Goal:** (20-30 minutes daily) 5-7 days = 5 pts; 4 days = 4 pts; 3 days = 3 pts; 2 days = 2 pts; 1 day = 1 pt.
- **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Practice Goal:** (25-30 minutes daily) 5-7 days = 5 pts; 4 days = 4 pts; 3 days = 3 pts; 2 days = 2 pts; 1 day = 1 pt.

### **Extra Credit:**

To learn about great concerts to attend at MVHS, NVHS, and WVHS, check out [www.meteamusic.org](http://www.meteamusic.org), [www.neuquamusic.org](http://www.neuquamusic.org) and [www.wvhsmusic.org](http://www.wvhsmusic.org). Students may earn extra credit for attending concerts and turning in a concert program signed by a parent/guardian. Remember to put the student's name on it!

Extra credit will be added to the daily class category of each student's grade. Students will earn 2 points for turning in a signed concert program. However, students who turn in a one paragraph concert reflection with the signed program will earn 5 points!