

Gregory Orchestra Supplies, 2016-2017

Required Supplies for All Orchestra Students:

Items 1-4 are available at any store that sells office/school supplies. The remaining items are available at any local music store. Quinlan and Fabish Music, our preferred vendor, will conveniently deliver these items to your child at school and can be ordered by calling 630-654-4111 or visiting www.qandf.com.

1. One 1" three-ring, hard cover binder with pockets on the inside
2. 5 Tab Dividers
3. 1 pencil bag that clips inside of the binder (a thin, inexpensive one is best so it is not too bulky)
4. 3-5 sharpened or mechanical pencils
5. "Kun" Brand Shoulder Rest for all violin and viola students. All violin students should get 4/4 sized. All 14" or smaller viola students should get a 4/4-violin rest. All 15" or larger viola students should purchase a viola rest (ask for the type that does not collapse). The Everest brand shoulder rest is also excellent and comes in a variety of colors. We do recommend the collapsible version of the Everest rest. If your child takes private lessons and has a different rest, we are glad to discuss this with your child to see if a different shoulder rest will be acceptable for class. In most cases, private teachers have selected other great options that work well.
6. Rosin (comes with all rentals; if broken or lost, ask your music store for a free replacement; if you own your violin, viola or cello, consider buying a higher quality rosin, such as Hill Dark rosin or Jade rosin.
7. Cellos & Basses – Rock stop (comes with all rentals; if lost, ask your music store for a free replacement)
8. Folding music stand (for home practicing and some concerts – do not bring to school)
9. Method Books – see below

6th Grade Students

- Essential Elements 2000, Book 1 (published by Hal Leonard) used August – March.
- Orchestra Expressions, Book 1 (published by Highland/Etling) will be needed in January. Additional information will be provided as we get closer.

7th Grade Students

- Orchestra Expressions, Book 2 (published by Highland/Etling)
- Bass players only – Please buy Pop's brand or Carlsson brand rosin (we will learn to use it at school)
- Snark SN-2 All Instrument Clip-on Chromatic Tuner (available through Q&F or Amazon.com)
This tuner will help students gain tuning independence and advance at a faster pace. This high quality item will be beneficial for use throughout middle school, high school and beyond!

8th Grade Students

- Orchestra Expressions, Book 2 (may use the book from last year)
- Expressive Techniques for Orchestra (published by Tempo Press)
- Tourte Mute (may use the mute from last year)
- Snark SN-2 All Instrument Clip-on Chromatic Tuner (available through Q&F or Amazon.com—see image above). This tuner will help students gain tuning independence and advance at a faster pace. This high quality item will be beneficial for use throughout middle school, high school and beyond!



Please note that the grade level method books are primarily used for technique class. Your musician will be expected to practice and perform from these books as a part of his/her orchestra grade.

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Students will receive 10 points for each supply check and late supplies will earn only partial credit. While you may go to any music store to purchase books and supplies, our preferred vendor is Quinlan & Fabish. They will deliver all materials to students at Gregory. With busy schedules, we hope this makes purchasing supplies easier for you. Delivery time is about one week, so please contact **Q&F at (630) 654-4111 or www.qandf.com** to place your order soon. If your child already has some of these items from last year, there is no need to have duplicates, but please confirm they still have the items. Thanks!!

Please contact Mrs. Lein (Stephanie_Lein@ipsd.org) or Mrs. Lauff (Lori_Lauff@ipsd.org) if you have any questions.

Important Orchestra Start-up Dates

Thursday, August 25	First day using instruments in class. Students earn 5-points each week for in-class participation, which includes having all supplies and materials in class daily as well as displaying appropriate posture, positions, and rehearsal etiquette.	Weekly Participation Points
Friday, August 26	Orchestra Expectations Contract due.	10 points
Thursday, September 1	Supply Check #1 - Binder, Dividers, Pencil bag and pencils, Shoulder rest/Rock Stop, Rosin needed IN CLASS	10 points
Wednesday, September 7	Select Strings auditions (for advanced-level students who have prepared the audition material and turned in the required slip)	Scullen MS (3:45-6:00 p.m.)
Thursday, September 8	Supply Check #2 - Books needed IN CLASS (7 th & 8 th grade students will also need their Snark tuner in class to receive full points)	10 points
Sunday, September 11	First Practice Reflection Due at www.gregoryorchestras.weebly.com Weekly practice reflections are due by Sunday evening at 11:59 p.m., unless there is no school on Monday. In this event, students have until Monday by 11:59 p.m. to submit. Parents – Please visit this site with your child to complete the parent verification section each week.	10 points each week
Monday, September 12	Pioneer Fiddlers Begins! (Open to all 7 th & 8 th grade orchestra students in the fall; 6 th grade students may begin in January) – The registration form to join this group is due by Friday, September 2 nd .	6:45 a.m.
Tuesday, September 13	Select Strings begins and will meet on Tuesdays and Fridays throughout the school year.	6:45 a.m.