

Instrumental Music Notes

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Ensuring Success **Topic 4: General Schedule**

~Fourth in a series of newsletters with helpful information as we head in to an exciting new school year~

A specific lesson schedule will be sent home with students and emailed home later in September, once I have all my student information organized. In the meantime I wanted to share some general schedule information.

- I will be teaching at Sparks elementary Monday, Wednesday, and Friday this year. This means that lessons will be spread out over the course of the week.
- These 25-30 minute lessons will rotate through the day to keep students from missing the same subject each week as much as possible. Lessons will occasionally rotate through specials and recess as well. Full band and full orchestra rehearsals will begin, in addition to lessons, by the end of September.
- **Full orchestra** and **Full band** will meet on Monday and Friday afternoons. Teachers are prepared to plan around these larger group rehearsals so students will not miss any new instruction.
- Our winter music program (vocal & instrumental) is **tentatively** scheduled for December 12th or 19th at 7pm.

Please note: You are invited to come in to observe your child's lesson at any time throughout the year, not just during American Education Week. Make sure you check the lesson schedule carefully so that you are coming in at the right time. Email or call me before coming in, just in case the schedule had to be changed for some unexpected reason.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's progress, I would be happy to conference with you - however I prefer to conference with the student present, with their instrument, so that I can address any playing concern directly. This way you can hear and see exactly what might be going on. I understand that many parents have little experience with playing an instrument so you may not know what to expect, what is normal progress, what is abnormal progress, etc.

Musically Yours,
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