

Dear Holy Spirit Parents,

Welcome to the HS Strings Program!

“Studying a musical instrument is an exceptional way to enrich a child’s life. It is a ‘hands on’ creative experience which provides many simulating cognitive benefits such as improved listening, reading and math skills.” It is my privilege to have the opportunity to encourage your child to move forward with their achievements.



The program is designed for students from 3rd to 8th grade who wish to study a string instrument (violin, viola, cello). The curriculum incorporates group lessons, master classes, ensemble playing and performance opportunities. During the first year of study, your child will learn the basics of playing his/her instrument. We focus on holding the instrument and bow with the correct posture, as well as producing a relaxed, resonant tone. They will also learn the basics of reading music and taking care of their instrument.

For grades 3 and 4, classes will be scheduled Wednesday mornings when school is in session. All grade 5 and middle school/advanced students will have classes after school from 3:20 to 4:15 pm on Wednesdays. The first string class is scheduled to begin on **September 15, 2021**.

The tuition for the program is \$425 for the school year (at least 27 lessons). This price includes a method music book/sheet music. Tuition is payable by check to “Hwan-ah Lee”. Parents may opt to pay with payment plans (please see the registration form for the payments schedule).

Students are required to rent or purchase an instrument to participate in the program. Most of the rental options are rent-to-own programs which are designed to be cost-effective for you while providing students with a complete instrument package, including the instrument, bow and instrument case. There are several music shops in the area where you can rent or purchase an instrument for your child.

- Fairfax Fine Violins <https://ffviolins.com/>
 - 703-543-7474
 - 10782 Fairfax Blvd., Suite B, Fairfax, VA 22030 (across the old PVI High School campus)
- Foxe’ Music company <https://www.foxesmusic.com/t-rental-program.aspx>
 - 703-533-7393
 - 416 South Washington St., Falls Church, VA 22046

Registration for the program is due by September 10, 2020. Please follow the attached link to access the registration form. (<https://forms.gle/4NpMwC4pKbTEuHN8>).

Please contact me (stringsthebest@gmail.com) if you have any questions! I look forward to meeting your child in class on September 15!

Respectfully,

Dr. Hwan-Ah Lee