

NEW HORIZON SCHOOL FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

The Orchestra Members at New Horizon School for the Performing Arts are expected to practice **at least** 20 minutes a day 6 days a week. We practice at school on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Students are expected to remember to bring their instruments to school on those days.

We use the Suzuki Books for all our orchestra students. Beginning students are expected to have the Suzuki book 1. Intermediate students are expected to have the Suzuki book 1 & 2. Advanced students use books 1, 2 and 3. We highly recommend purchasing the audio cassette(s) or CD(s) that performs the songs from the book. Parents need to be involved in the note reading part of playing a violin.

All students need rosin and a shoulder rest (a large sponge w/ rubber bands will also work). This helps the young musician sound their best. A handkerchief is also useful. An extra set of strings are a smart idea. Strings break occasionally with normal use. Strings last longer if students handle their instrument carefully.

Private Lessons are encouraged. Music stores in the area have excellent private teachers. Students that get extra help usually advance much faster. They also get a 1 on 1 instruction for positions and information that helps develop better skills and understanding.

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