

Elementary Band and Strings Program

About Elementary Band and Strings

Involvement in a music program can benefit children's academic and social-emotional development, and provides an opportunity to develop a child's musicianship and creativity *Hallam, S. (2016)*.

Elementary Band and Strings is a unique instrumental music program distinctive to North Vancouver School District.

The program provides school-based instrumental instruction to students in the intermediate grades (Grades 5 - 7 for Band and Grades 4 - 7 for Strings).

One of the finest music programs in the province, Elementary Band and Strings complements the Ministry of Education's Arts Education curriculum.



Registration Details

Elementary Band and Strings registration for the 2021-2022 school year runs from **January 15 to March 5, 2021**.

This unique program, providing enrichment to the Arts Education curriculum offered at every school, is funded directly by registration fees.

Tuition

During the program registration period, January 15 to March 5, 2021, a single payment or instalments can be made through [School Cash Online](#). If you register in January, your payments will be under \$60 per month (8 instalments). The earlier the payments begin, the lower the monthly fees by instalment. The final instalment date is September 1, 2021.

Registration fees from January 15 to March 5, 2021: \$470.

Late Registration* fees from March 15 to September 30, 2021: \$545.

*The monthly instalment plan is NOT available for Late Registration, and enrolment may be subject to program availability.



For more information and to register, please visit:
www.sd44.ca/ProgramsServices/BandStrings


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Band & Strings Program Information

2021 – 2022

About the Band and Strings Program

The Elementary Band and Strings program offers a wonderful opportunity for students to receive instrumental instruction within an ensemble, and represents the start of an exciting musical journey that they can follow through to the end of their secondary school years.

A preliminary schedule will be available in early June 2021. Classes are not held after school, but are scheduled twice a week before or during school time. As a participant in the program, students commit to attending all classes, rehearsals and concerts.

This program has been made possible over the years through the direct support of a large number of dedicated parents/guardians, staff and administrators, and specifically, the NVSD Band and Strings Parent Association.

About the Band Program

Band instruction is open to all students in Grades 5 to 7.

- The Beginning Band Program is available to students in Grades 5 through 7 who are new to the Band Program.
- The Continuing Band Program is offered to students in Grade 6 through 7 who have played their instrument for at least one year.

The NVSD will be offering Band programs at many of our schools*. Programs offered at each school will only run if there is sufficient enrolment by March 5, 2021. If you have registered your child for a program that is unable to run due to low enrolment, you will receive a full refund.

*The following schools will not be offering registration for a band program for the 2021-2022 school year: Montroyal, Norgate and Seymour Heights.

For the 2021-2022 school year, the NVSD will not be offering programming to students who have requested taking classes at a neighbouring school.

About the Strings Program

Strings instruction is open to students in Grades 4 to 7.

- The Beginning String Program is available to students in Grades 4 to 7 who are new to the String Program.
- The Continuing String Program is available to students in Grades 5 to 7 who have played their instrument for at least one year.

The NVSD will be offering a Strings Program at Braemar, Canyon Heights, Cleveland, Dorothy Lynas, Highlands, Larson, Montroyal, Ross Road, and Seymour Heights.

For the 2021-2022 school year, the NVSD will not be offering programming to students who have requested taking classes at a neighbouring school.

Instruments

In September, students will need an instrument and to purchase a method book. A limited number of instruments are available with a user fee of \$100 or \$150 through the school district's instrument rental program. A deposit of \$100 is required for this rental. You may also choose to rent or purchase from local music stores. Further information will be provided by the school Band or Strings teacher.

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Withdrawals & Refunds

All requests for refunds must be done in writing by completing a [withdrawal form](#) and submitting it to your child's school office. **Full refunds will be processed until June 15, 2021.**

After June 15, a \$75 non-refundable fee will be charged. No refunds will be issued after September 30, 2021.