

# Elementary Band & Strings Program



After 60 years, the North Vancouver School District's unique instrumental music program continues to offer students a wonderful opportunity to receive instrumental instruction in a supportive group setting.

Elementary Band and Strings, which complements the Ministry of Education's Arts Education curriculum, is open to students in Grades 5 - 7 for Band and Grades 4 - 7 for 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, teamwork and creativity skills (Hallam, S., 2016).

## Key Dates

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year runs from **January 10 to March 4, 2022.**

## Program Fees

This program, providing enrichment to the Arts Education curriculum, is funded directly by registration fees.

Payment can be made either as a one-time payment or payment-by-instalment through [School Cash Online](#).

- Registration fees from January 10 to March 4, 2022: \$495 . A payment-by-instalment option is available.
- Late Registration\* fees from March 11 to September 30, 2022: \$545. The payment-by-instalment option is **not** available.

The earlier instalment payments begin, the lower the monthly fees. E.g., if you register in January, payments will be approximately \$62 per month (8 instalments). The final instalment date is September 1, 2022.

\*Enrolment during Late Registration is subject to program availability and will depend on sufficient registrations received by March 4, 2022.



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# Program Information 2022-2023

The Elementary Band and Strings program offers students a wonderful opportunity 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.

Classes are scheduled twice a week before or during school time and a preliminary schedule will be available in early June 2022. Students should be prepared to commit to attending all classes, rehearsals and concerts.

This program has been made possible 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

**Beginning Band** is available to students in Grades 5 through 7 who are new to the Band Program.

**Continuing Band** is offered to students in Grade 6 through 7 who have played their instrument for at least one year.

Band programs will be offered at many of our schools\*. Programs offered at each school will only run if there is sufficient enrolment received by March 4, 2022. 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 2022-2023 school year: Larson, Montroyal and Norgate.

## About the Strings Program

**Beginning Strings** is available to students in Grades 4 to 7 who are new to the Strings Program.

**Continuing Strings** 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 and Ross Road.

## Instruments

Students will need to rent (or purchase) an instrument and purchase a method book. A limited number of instruments are available through the school district's instrument rental program (user fee of \$100 or \$150, plus \$100 deposit). You may also choose to rent or purchase from local music stores. Information will be provided by the school's Band or Strings teacher.

## Registration (Key Dates)

### January 10 to March 4

- Fee: \$495
- Payment options: a one-time payment or payment-by-installment through [School Cash Online](#).

### March 11 to September 30 (Late registration\*)

- Fee: \$545
- Payment option: a one-time payment through [School Cash Online](#) (no payment-by-installment)

\*Enrolment during Late Registration is subject to program availability and will depend on sufficient registrations received by March 4, 2022.

## Withdrawals & Refunds

All requests for refunds must be made in writing by completing a withdrawal form and submitting it to your child's school office. **Full refunds will be processed until June 15, 2022.** After June 15, a \$75 non-refundable processing fee will be charged. No refunds will be issued after September 30, 2022.

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