Adam Tichenor Hoover Elementary 2327 S. Darlington Ave Tulsa, OK 74114

Dear Hoover Husky Parent/Guardian:

Congratulations! Your Hoover leader has requested to be in the Hoover Orchestra. The Arts are a pathway to a more enriched and joy-filled life as well as providing a possible academic focus for secondary school and beyond. In order for us to have a productive and fun learning environment for rehearsals, I need you – as the guardian – to review and commit to the following stipulations in writing:

- 1. String section rehearsals are Wednesdays from 2:45 PM to 4:00 PM. Percussion section rehearsals are Thursdays from 2:45 PM to 4:00 PM
- 2. Pick up at the north door only (cafeteria) must be arranged for 4:00 PM on rehearsal days. If your child is picked up three times later than 4:10 PM for any reason, they will not be in the orchestra until after winter break.
- 3. If you or the student forget to bring the instrument in the morning, the instrument can be dropped off in the office any time before 2:45 PM. If the student comes to rehearsal without their instrument three times, they will not be in the orchestra.
- 4. All after-school appointments must be scheduled around rehearsal. If the student misses rehearsal three times for any reason except legitimate illness (not in school all day) or emergency, they will not be in the orchestra.
- 5. Only the student that is in orchestra may be in the music room during rehearsal. Brothers, sisters, cousins, and friends that are not in orchestra will not be allowed in the room. Arrangements for those students must also be made.
- 6. If your child is late to rehearsal (after 2:45 PM) three times for any reason (teachers holding them, tutoring, membership in other clubs, forgetfulness, etc.), they will not be in orchestra until after winter break.
- 7. Your child will receive a practice log that will be checked at every rehearsal. If it is retuned blank three times, your child will not be in orchestra.
- 8. Depending on the instrument they play, your child will occasionally need materials for that instrument (strings, books, rosin, sticks, etc.). There will be information about what specific materials they will need in the packet attached to this letter. The cost will be small but if you cannot commit to the maintenance of your child's instrument, they cannot be in orchestra.
- 9. There will be a list of rehearsal procedures and expectations on the next page. By reviewing and signing this packet, you agree that your child has read understands them. I will also go over the expectations during the first rehearsal.
- 10. Our first rehearsal is Wednesday, August 29th. This packet must be turned in to me on or before that date. No exceptions can be made. Instruments will be passed out on that day.

Success in the Arts at the elementary level requires parental guidance and support. Please feel free to contact me with any questions via email or phone at Hoover Elementary. Please fill out the information below and return to me or the office at Hoover. Thank you so much for your help and encouragement in your child's participation in the Arts!

Sincerely,
Adam Tichenor
Hoover General Music Teacher/Director
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Student Expectations for Rehearsal:

3 violations of these expectations and you will not be in orchestra

- 1. No cell phones will be allowed during rehearsal. If I see your phone, I will take it until your parent/guardian arrives.
- 2. No snacks are allowed in the music room before rehearsal unless we are having a party. Eat them and throw away the trash before you get to my room.
- 3. Go to the bathroom BEFORE you come to rehearsal.
- 4. You have until 3 PM to get your instrument out and be in your seat for the start of rehearsal.

| Student Name: | Grade: |
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| Parent Name: | _Email: |
| Phone: | _ |
| By signing below, I acknowledge the above stipulations for membership in the Hoover Orchestra. | |
| Signature: | Date: |
| Circle >>>> YES <<<< if you are interested | l in volunteering at rehearsals or a |

performance. The more help I get, the better our kids will perform in Orchestra!

These are the materials your Hoover Husky will need to participate in orchestra. If your child already has the materials from last year then they will not need anything. These materials are all available on Amazon.com or at the following Tulsa music stores.

Saied Music (strings and percussion)

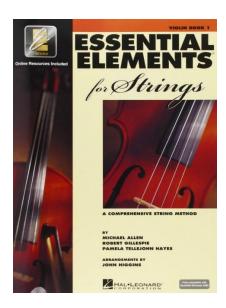
3259 S Yale Ave, Tulsa, OK 74135 (918)742-5541 Or 9320 E. 71st St, Tulsa, Ok 74133 (918) 252-5541

Tulsa Strings (strings only, no percussion)

4631 E 31st St, Tulsa, OK 74135

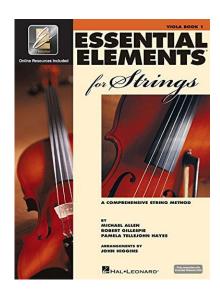
If your child is playing *Violin* they will need:

- 1. Essential Elements: Violin Book 1, ISBN: 978-0634038174
- 2. A block of violin rosin



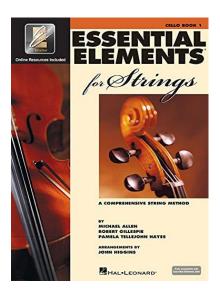
If your child is playing *Viola* they will need:

- 3. Essential Elements: Viola Book 1, ISBN: 978-0634038181
- 4. A block of rosin suitable for viola



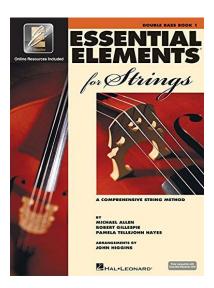
If your child is playing *Cello* they will need:

- 1. Essential Elements: Cello Book 1, ISBN: 978-0634038198
- 2. A block of rosin suitable for cello



If your child is playing *Double Bass* they will need:

- 1. Essential Elements: Double Bass Book 1, ISBN: 978-0634038181
- 2. A block of rosin suitable for double bass



If your child is playing *Percussion*, they will need some materials but that is yet to be determined. I will communicate that with you by the 22^{nd} of August.