

Music For Youth of Arlington Heights

P.O. Box 282 Arlington Heights, IL 60006

MFY is a Suzuki-based stringed instrument program for violin, viola and cello. Children living in District 25, attending grades K-8 at a public, private or home school, may enroll. Please come **Wednesday, September 17 at 7:00pm at Windsor Elementary School** to our parent information session with music demonstration or call the teacher at your local school for more information. ***Registration is due September 24, 2014.** *A tuition check is required.

The Philosophy MFY endorses the philosophy of Shinichi Suzuki called "Talent Education". In small, non-competitive group lessons, children learn through deliberate, repetitive steps modeled by the teacher. The parent then aids this process by reinforcing the lesson concepts at home practices. It is not necessary for the parent to be able to play an instrument or read music to be successful at helping the child. The MFY teach faculty is comprised of Suzuki-trained teachers. They have numerous years of experience teaching group and private lessons, and perform professionally themselves. Not only will the MFY program help your child learn to play music, but involvement also builds self-esteem while fostering a love for music.

The History MFY is a parent-run, not-for-profit corporation, formed in the summer of 1971. District 25 contributes a share of the program funding. It provides the program with an administrative liaison, enabling our program to function within district guidelines. MFY lessons are taught one day a week during the school day, usually in a 30-minute shared lesson time. Sometimes a single student has a 15-minute lesson. Specific lesson scheduling is up to the individual teacher. Parent participation in volunteer activities is highly encouraged in some capacity for the continued success of the MFY program.

The Role of Parents The most important obligation of parents is the willingness to devote regular time to this endeavor. That is, attending a weekly lesson and bi-weekly repertoire class with their child and guiding them in a daily practice session. The practice session will range from 5-10 minutes at first, and increase as the child advances.

DISTRICT 25 SCHOOLS – Tuition Information 2014

Cost per semester, per child:	New Students:	\$225.00
	Returning Students:	\$250.00

1st Semester: September - January 2nd Semester: February – May

MFY tuition covers:

- Weekly lessons
- Bi-weekly repertoire (group rehearsal)
- Solo Performances
- Formal Performances
- Informal concerts within community

Additionally, more advanced students will participate in orchestra

String Instruction

- Promotes self-esteem and builds self-confidence
- Helps develop discipline, concentration and memory
- Enhances fine motor skills
- Encourages cooperation and problem-solving
- Allows music appreciation and study at an early age
- Provides an opportunity to make music with others

TEACHER INFORMATION

<u>Violin:</u>	Karen Noorani	630-924-9578	Patton & Ivy Hill
	Bill Kronenberg	224-420-2828	Olive, Greenbrier & Windsor
	James Sanders	773-469-0624	Thomas & South
	Tamara Glassburg	847-971-7183	Dryden, Westgate & Thomas
	Emily Constantinou	773-559-4282	Ivy Hill
<u>Cello:</u>	Karen Noorani	630-924-9578	All schools