

# 5<sup>th</sup> Grade PERFORMING ENSEMBLES

Welcome back to school! We are very excited to begin another year in the performing arts! There are many ensembles in which fifth grade students can join.



**Chorus** is for children who enjoy singing and would like to perform for various functions and concerts throughout the year. All music is provided by the school. Chorus will meet every Friday, 7:00- 7:45 AM. Fall performances will include our Edison Park Holiday program, Edison Home Holiday Lights, and community outreach shows.



**5th Grade Handbells** meet every Wednesday, from 7:00 – 7:45 AM. Due to the limited number of bell positions available, this musical ensemble is limited to 14 students. The 5th handbells will perform at the December Holiday concert, Music In Our Schools Concert, and 5th grade graduation. Music is provided by the school. This group is a year-long commitment



**Drum Group** is for students who enjoy playing drums and percussion instruments. Drum Group meets every Thursday, 7:00 – 7:45 AM, for the entire school year. They will perform for the school music programs as well as community functions.



**Dance Team** is for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls and boys who enjoy dance and who are interested in learning dance in depth. Students who participate in the dance team will acquire the skills needed to perform choreography throughout the year in one or more of the following: school productions, community concerts, and/or the Lee County All County Dance Performance. **Audition Date – Thursday, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, after school until 3:30 PM, located in the Dance Room.** Bring dance shoes and proper dance attire such as a leotard and tights for girls or athletic clothes for boys. If you do not have these items, please wear comfortable clothes that you can easily move and

stretch in. Please have a ride arranged for your son/daughter to be at the East Building entrance (by the cafeteria) by 3:30 PM. If your son/daughter is not picked up by 3:30 PM, they will need to stay in aftercare and regular fees will apply.



**Violin** is open to all 5<sup>th</sup> grade students who have participated in the 2014-2015 violin program. Fifth grade large group class will rehearse every Tuesday, 7:00 – 7:45 AM beginning September 1.



**UKE Club** is a new performing group this year! Participating students learn to play the ukulele and rehearse every Monday morning from 7:00 – 7:45 AM. Ukuleles and music will be provided by the school. This group will perform at school concerts and community events throughout the year.

**Boys 'n Black** – is open to all boys in grades 3 – 5. This group will sing and dance for school concerts and community events throughout the year. Boys 'n Black will rehearse every Tuesday, 7:00 – 7:45 AM in the music room.

### **Student Expectations**

All students who are members of performance groups are expected to attend, be on time, and participate in **all** rehearsals and performances. Students will enter the East Building by the cafeteria for all morning group rehearsals. Students arriving before 6:50 will be charged Early Care fees.

### **Concert Dress**

All students need to provide their own concert dress including:

All **handbell, violin, Boys 'n black and chorus students** - long dress black pants, black socks, and a long-sleeved button down collared shirt.

All **Drum students** – long black dress pants, black socks, long sleeved solid black shirt

All **UKE students** – long black dress pants, black socks, Hawaiian shirt.

All **Dance Team students** – Girls: black tank leotard, tan and pink tights, pink ballet shoes. Boys: long black dress pants, black dress socks, black jazz shoes.

Students who are selected to be in the performance groups will be notified by Monday, September 7 and will need to sign a contract.

Please discuss all of the performing ensemble opportunities with your child. Keep in mind, it is important not to overload with too many activities. As with all school activities, it is important for students who are involved in these specials to maintain their classwork, good behavior in all areas, and to return assigned paperwork on time. If your child is interested in joining any of the ensembles, please sign the attached form and return to their classroom teacher before the audition dates, or bring the form with them to their audition. We look forward to another fantastic year in the arts at Edison Park.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sandy Lantz, Music Director  
Mrs. Peters, Dance Director  
Mrs. Lisa Pennington, Violin Director

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STUDENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Classroom teacher's name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check the groups your child is interested in joining.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Dance Team    Thursdays, 2:30 – 3:30 PM - AUDITIONED

\_\_\_\_\_ Handbells    Wednesdays, 7:00 - 7:45 AM - AUDITIONED

\_\_\_\_\_ Chorus    Fridays, 7:00 – 7:45 AM

\_\_\_\_\_ Boys 'n Black    Tuesdays, 7:00 – 7:45 AM - AUDITIONED

\_\_\_\_\_ Drum Group    Thursdays, 7:00 – 7:45 AM AUDITIONED

\_\_\_\_\_ Uke Club    Mondays, 7:00 – 7:45 - AUDITIONED

\_\_\_\_\_ Violin: Tuesdays, 7:00 – 7:45

## **AUDITION DATES and TIMES:**

***Uke Club:                    Mon, Aug 31, Music Room, 7:00 AM***

***Boys 'n Black:            Tues, Sept 1, Music Room, 7:00 AM (bring dance shoes)***

***Handbells:                Wed, Sept 2, Music Room, 7:00 AM***

***Drum Group:             Thurs, Sept 3, Music Room, 7:00 AM***

***Dance Team:             August 28, Dance Room, after school – 3:30 PM***

***Chorus:                    Fri, Sept 4, Music Room, 7:00 AM***

***IMPORTANT: Please be prompt to all auditions. Students will be selected based upon behavior, skills, effort and attendance.***