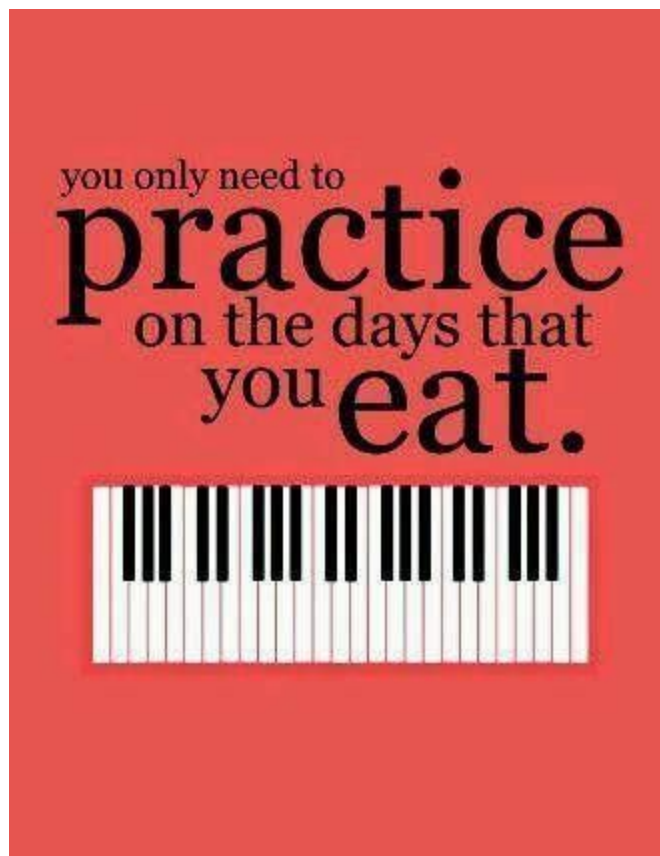


Strings Class Notes



General Rules:

- Be kind to everyone at all times
- Be present and on time
- Give your best effort
- Come prepared and motivated to learn
- Follow all School Procedures

Expectations - Be Accountable

- Listen to helpful recordings on the website to assist in home practice
- Bring your violin with bow, sponge (shoulder rest), and book to every class
- If you know you will be absent, please communicate with us via email as soon as possible
- If you forget your book or any other required materials you we will sign a book/material loan agreement form.

Passing System (never holding you back...)

- Our classes have a repertoire sequence that students will follow
- Students will receive instruction in class but will be encouraged to own their learning process and move on their own pace
- We will provide assistance and support throughout the process, but ultimately we want to inspire and empower students to grow to their fullest potential, not holding them back
- We have target goals of expectation to keep students focus and working
- Students will perform at the concerts the number of pieces they have learned and passed in class

Ways of Passing (Having a Choice in the Process)

- Class opportunity of stepping forward during instruction and playing (among other students) -- this choice will give the student instant feedback and empower risk-taking and growth in confidence
- Pass with a playing buddy -- someone who already passed or a friend who also needs to pass the same piece -- also instant feedback
- Sending a recording from home, then playing with class to assure student can hold the beat with the piano (2 step process, but can help students who are insecure to get extra practice and courage to step forward in class)

Share Box (We want to know what you are thinking)

- We are in this together! Each class will have a share box available for students to voice their needs, ideas, and thoughts
- You can suggest activities, tell us what has been fun, what has been challenging, and anything else you would like to share with us.
- You can remain anonymous if you wish to do so

Genius Hour Project (Owning your learning)

- Individual or in groups of 3 (max) students will present an in-depth presentation on some SPECIFIC aspect of strings technique, history, style, composer, instrument parts, etc...
- Students will choose the topic from a list of suggestions provided

Remember:

- This class will take you out of your comfort zone (but it will be fun!!!!)
- Your self-esteem will grow immensely and you will be proud of your effort and your accomplishments
- If you ever think you are failing.....REMEMBER....you are NOT failing...you are GROWING!! That feeling is temporary....NEVER give up, you are around the corner to success...
- Praise the process...we will be cheering you own along the way
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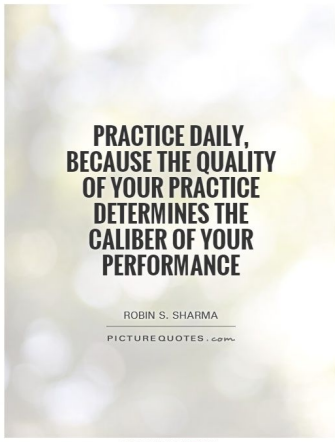
FAVORITE QUOTES:

**NOTHING IN LIFE IS
WORTHWHILE UNLESS
YOU TAKE RISKS.
FALL FORWARD. EVERY
FAILED EXPERIMENT
IS ONE STEP CLOSER
TO SUCCESS.**

DENZEL WASHINGTON

*Don't judge each
day by the harvest you
reap, but by the
seeds that you plant.*

ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON



"music can change lives. whether you are having a good or bad day, the power of music can change one's mood."-jess bowen
(from her, the summer set)



Create your own Music/Violin Quote --- (Think about what music means to you... How do you feel about music or playing an instrument? How has music inspired or helped you?)