

# 2018-2019 WCS Strings Program Information

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*"Praise Him with the strings."  
- Psalm 150:4*

## WCS STRINGS AT A GLANCE

### WHO WE ARE

The mission of WCS Strings, which began in 1981, is to glorify God through music by working together to develop Christian character and gifts to joyfully serve others. WCS Strings students learn violin, viola, and cello using the Suzuki method of instruction.

### LESSONS AND GROUP CLASSES

Students receive one private lesson and one group class per week along with other opportunities throughout the year. Elementary group classes meet after school on Thursdays. Middle school and high school orchestras rehearse during the academic day.

### BENEFITS OF THE SUZUKI METHOD

The Suzuki method is an internationally known music curriculum and teaching philosophy which aims to create an environment for learning music similar to that of acquiring a native language. Dr. Shinichi Suzuki believed that this environment would also help to foster good moral character. WCS takes this pedagogy and molds it with Christian teaching and values. Some key components of the Suzuki method include: parent involvement, early beginning, listening, ear training, repetition, memorization, encouragement and learning with others. Visit this site to learn more:

[www.suzukiassociation.org/about/suzuki-method](http://www.suzukiassociation.org/about/suzuki-method)

### PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES

WCS Strings students enjoy a number of performance opportunities including: Pops concert, Christmas concert, Suzuki concert, community outreach concerts, solo recitals, chapels, string quartet gigs, and strings tours.

## 2018/2019 STRINGS FEES

Strings fees are included in your WCS tuition statement as follows.

<b>Semester Group Fee:</b>	
Elementary Group Class	\$100/semester*
*Billed once at the beginning of each semester (September and February)	

<b>Monthly Lesson Fees:</b>	
30-minute lesson (15 per semester)	\$75/month
45-minute lesson (15 per semester)	\$115/month

## GETTING STARTED

### Scheduling and Beginning Supplies

Lessons are available before and after school, Saturday mornings, and sometimes during the school day (lunch, study hall). All lesson times during the school day require the approval of the classroom teacher and are subject to the availability of the strings teacher and parent. Every effort is made to accommodate schedules of all involved. Beginning supplies (books, CDs, endpin straps, shoulder rests, rosin, etc.) may be purchased online. Teachers will provide information. Prices vary.

### Instrument Rental

Please consult with your private teacher prior to renting an instrument to ensure proper sizing. We can recommend local businesses that rent quality instruments. More information about renting can be found by visiting:  
[www.johnsonstring.com/rental/](http://www.johnsonstring.com/rental/)  
[www.musicarts.com](http://www.musicarts.com)

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