

Dear Parents/Guardians of 4th graders,



Music

refining

This year each student will be using a recorder in Mrs. Mendenhall's Class. A recorder is a useful music-making instrument that allows all students to participate simultaneously. We will be learning and refining musical concepts such as reading the treble clef staff, rhythmic patterns and improvising. Each student will need his or her own recorder. They will be kept in Mrs. Mendenhall's Music Room, unless the student owns the recorder and wishes to practice at home. (He or she must bring the recorder back to class on Music days.) Here are your options:

(1) **Buy** a high-quality "Harmony" recorder (see below) from me at school.

Recorders cost \$5.00 (payable only in cash.)

(2) **Bring** a recorder from home. (This must be approved by me to make sure it is pitched correctly and will match the other recorders.)

(3) **Borrow** a school recorder. (These have been thoroughly cleaned, and each student who uses one will be issued one for the whole year.)

Check out [www.ilsmusic.weebly.com](http://www.ilsmusic.weebly.com) for more recorder information and a calendar with color days!

Thank You!

Mrs. Mendenhall



*"Harmony" 3-Piece Recorder: Included free with the recorder*

- ❖ *A neckstrap to suspend the recorder from the neck, allowing for hands to be available for related activities.*
- ❖ *A cleaning rod, I will also provide a small cloth to use for cleaning the instrument.*
- ❖ *A case to carry it all together.*

*Why a 3-piece instead of a 1 or 2 piece unit?*

- *The 3-piece model allows each individual to adjust the recorder and head joint to the correct and comfortable position. It also permits better cleaning opportunities.*

4th grades have Mendenhall Music on the following days :

A Group : Blue      B Group : Green      C Group : Yellow

D: Group : Orange      E Group : Red      F Group : Purple

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**Cut on the line and return to Mrs. Mendenhall at your next music class. (or fill out the form on Google classroom. <https://forms.gle/4PgYvLHELNeUMyxG6>)**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Specials Group: A B C D E F

C Group - Homeroom Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Check one of the following options:

\_\_\_\_\_ I will buy my recorder (rate 1-3 \_\_Purple, \_\_ Green, \_\_ Blue)

\_\_\_\_\_ I will bring my own recorder for Mrs. Mendenhall to check.

\_\_\_\_\_ I need to borrow a recorder.

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_