

From the Music Department at the Lester C. Noecker School

Dear Parent and/or Guardian:

This has been a fantastic year of music making with our students at the Noecker School! Achieving higher musicality than ever before always makes me hungry to start up again in the following school year.

As the end of the year approaches, I would like to note a few things. Playing a musical instrument is a life long process of learning different technical skills as well as different styles of music. Having a skill that is your own and can be nurtured throughout ones lifetime is a gift for which I am forever grateful and I'm sure the students will be too.

This raises the question of what to do with the instrument over the summer. I, of course, feel that every student should take lessons through the summer from a professional on their instrument and that student should practice thirty minutes daily but I am a realist who knows that we all have things that get in the way of this. So, if you rented an instrument these are your options.

- 1. You can keep the instrument as long as you like. With Music & Arts, the rental rate will go up but all of the rent that is paid is saved by the company to be used to purchase a new instrument when your child gets old enough to handle that responsibility.
- 2. You can return and re-rent an instrument next September for the low introductory rate however all of the rent paid this year will be forfeited and the contract will restart with the newly rented instrument. If this is the path you would like to take, you must call Music & Arts Customer Service at 888-731-5396 to arrange the return. Our sales representative comes to the school every Friday and will pick up the instruments but only if the company has issued him a return notice. This is to avoid any instrument being taken without permission.

Thank you,

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