#### St. Helena's

# Orchestra Program

### FOR <u>NEW STUDENTS</u> INTERESTED IN INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS

## Parent Meeting: Wednesday September 12th 7pm in the SHS Library

• Lessons are offered to students Grades 2-8 with Mr. Andrew Hoy

• Students will learn a variety of songs, including classical, folk and holiday pieces.

• All orchestra students will have the to opportunity to perform at **St. Helena's Spring Arts Festival** and are invited to take part in the music trip to **Dorney Park**.

• Tuition for Group Lessons is \$200 per student per semester.

- Students who do not own an instrument may rent one through Zeswitz. Students will be measured for their appropriate size instrument at school.
- Please email <u>andrewhoy@amblermusicacademy.com</u> with any questions and for additional information.

Andrew Hoy is the Owner and Director of Ambler Music Academy, a community music school located in Ambler, PA. In addition to teaching instrumental lessons, Andrew is the concertmaster of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Symphony Orchestra, and performs in various chamber ensembles and pit orchestras in the community.

Andrew began studying violin at the age of four. His teachers include Robert dePasquale, retired Associate Principal Second of the Philadelphia Orchestra, and Betty-Jean Hagen. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in both Music and History from Vassar College, where he graduated with honors.

#### St. Helena's Orchestra Program Contract

- 1. Group string instrument lessons are provided during the school day for students grade 2-8.
- 2. Each lesson is 30 minutes long. They are held once a week on a rotating schedule so that students do not miss the same class each week.
- 3. Students must enroll (in advance) for 4 months of lessons at a time October through January February through May. Group lesson tuition for a four month period is \$200. Checks should be made payable to "Andrew Hoy." There is no refund for the four month lesson period and no make-up lessons. Special payment arrangements may be made with Mr. Hoy. Please direct any questions to Andrew Hoy, at andrewhoy@amblermusicacademy.com.
- 4. If a student forgets their instrument or book, they will still be expected to participate in the lesson. Parents will be contacted when students are forgetting their instruments on a regular basis. If a student forgets their assigned lesson time, the lesson will not be made up. Students may arrive 5 minutes prior to their lesson time to prepare their instrument.
- 5. All fees are due two weeks prior to the first lesson of the semester (September 20 and January 20).
- 6. It is imperative that the student practice for their weekly lesson at home if they expect to make satisfactory progress on their instrument. It is also important that the student is on time for their music lesson. It is up to the student to make arrangements with their classroom teacher to make-up any class work when attending their music lesson.
- 7. An instrument rental program will be available to students. A beginner's four month trial period (at a reasonable cost) will be made available. At the end of the four month trial period, students may then rent (or buy) the instrument on a monthly basis or return the instrument at no additional cost.

My signature indicates that I have read and understand the above policies of the Orchestra Program at St.

Helena's School.		
Parent Signature:	Date:	
	Registration Information	
Student's Name:	Grade: Teacher:	
Parent/Guardian:		
Primary Phone	Drimary Email	