

MDIRSS String Festival 2019

Dear String Students and Parents,

May 2019

The MDIRSS String Festival will be on Thursday, May 23, 2019, beginning at 1:00 p.m. at MDI High School. The event will culminate at 5:00 pm with a concert open to the public. **This year's guest artist is the U.S. National Scottish Fiddle Champion, Sean Heely! He will also be making school visits and be accessible to all our string students (see schedule below). This is made possible with an MDI EEF Grant.**

All string students in grades 3-12 will participate and be divided into two orchestras. All students need to bring their own snacks and water bottle. A custom t-shirt to wear during the evening concert will be provided. To help defray the cost of the String Festival please give \$5.00 to your school music teacher (checks made payable to Pemetic Music Boosters) by Wednesday, May 15. The concert admission fee for adults is \$3.00, students and seniors \$1, pre-school is free. There will be a bake sale prior to the concert. Sign up below!

If parents are interested in volunteering, please contact your music teacher. There are many opportunities for you to be a part of the MDI String Day.

We look forward to the wonderful opportunity to bring over 100 string students together on MDI together for a day of making music! Mark your calendars now and we will see you there!

Orchestra I Schedule- Grades 3-5

1:00 Arrive
1:15-1:55 Rehearse *French Folk Song* with Mr. Michaud
2:00-2:15 Snack Break (bring own)/Outside Time
2:15-2:45 Rehearse *Allegro* with Mr. Remy
2:45-3:00 Bathroom Break
3:00-3:30 Enrichment Performance featuring Sean Heely
3:30-4:00 Rehearse *Boil 'em Cabbage Down* with Mr. Heely
4:00-4:30-Outside Group Activity
Shirts/Snacks/Tune 4:30
Performance 5:00



Orchestra II Schedule- Grades 5-12

1:00 Arrive
1:15-1:45 Rehearse *Swashbuckling Pirates* with Mr. Remy
1:45-2:15 Rehearse *Field of Dreams* with Mr. Remy
2:15-2:30 Snack Break (bring own)
2:30-3:00 Workshop with Sean Heely
3:00-3:30 Enrichment Performance featuring Sean Heely
3:30-3:50-Break Outside
3:50-4:20-Quick Run Through
4:30-5:00-Shirts/Snacks/Tune
Performance 5:00

Mr. Sean Heely's school visits:

Friday, May 24 - MDES 2:15-3:00 (work with beginner violins and cellos w/Judith Cullen)

Tuesday, May 28 - Tuesday - CES at 8:15, MDI HS C block 10:50-12:40, and Tremont/Pemetic 2:20-3:00

Sincerely,

Your Island String Music Teachers

Rebecca Edmondson, Heather Graves, Ed Michaud,

Allison Putnam, Michael Remy

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I give permission for _____ to attend the MDIRSS String Festival at MDI High School on Thursday, May 23th. **Parents must supply transportation home after the 5:00 pm concert**
The concert will last approximately 45 minutes.

Parent Signature: _____

E-mail _____

Phone: _____

\$5 Enclosed _____ (or check payable to Pemetie Music Boosters)

Parent Volunteer

I am happy to:

_____ help tune

_____ lend a hand for the day

_____ baking (please drop off in back of HS theatre anytime after noon)

_____ transporting music stands from your middle school to HS prior to 1:15 and back again after concert or next day

Please return by Wednesday, May 15th