



August 31, 2023

In continuing our efforts to enhance the musical instruction offered at Christ the Divine Teacher School, Mrs. Thackrah will be instructing several Extracurricular Music classes again this school year.

**INSTRUMENTAL GROUP INSTRUCTION:** Instrumental instruction will be offered to students in **Grades 4-8** for the following instruments: **Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, French horn, Trombone, Percussion, \*Violin**

**\*AGAIN THIS YEAR:** Violin instruction will be extended to Grade 3. (Unlike traditional wind and percussion instruments, string instruments are available in various sizes to accommodate the size of the younger student.)

**SELECT CHORUS:** For students in Grades 4-8 (Students may be asked to sing a brief song (Alma Mater) as an audition.)

**CHOIR CHIMES:** For students in Logic School (Grades 6-8)

**Please note that there is no fee for group lessons.** Students will need to obtain their own instrument and method book (*Essential Elements 2000, book 1*). It is suggested that students have a music stand at home to use for practice. Music stands are provided at CDT for in-school use.

**For students who will need to rent an instrument, below are several local music stores that offer rental programs.**

**Volkwein's Music has an online rental portal; a representative will deliver your child's instrument and music directly to CDT!**

Volkwein's Music  
138 Industry Drive  
Pittsburgh, PA 15275  
800-553-8742  
<https://www.volkweinsmusic.com/pages/rentals>

Stemple Music, Inc.  
1618 Harrison Ave.  
Jeannette PA 15644  
724-527-5235  
<http://www.stemplemusic.com/rentalprograms.html>

Vittone's Music Center  
Gabriel Brothers Shopping Plaza, Greensburg, PA (next to CD Warehouse)  
801 North Greengate Rd., Ste. 350  
Greensburg, PA 15601  
Phone: 724-837-0877  
<http://www.vittones.com/Home.html>

Vittone's is getting out of the school band instrument rental business; they are currently having a liquidation sale on used brass, woodwind, and percussion instruments, all with warranties.

**\*Please note that students may only sign-up for a maximum of TWO Extracurricular Music classes. Students must maintain satisfactory grades in all other subjects in order to remain in the Extracurricular Music program.**

**\*The above musical offerings will be conducted during the school day on THURSDAYS again this year. The lesson times will rotate so that students do not consistently miss the same classes.**

After reviewing the applications, students will be assigned to a class; a schedule with additional information will be sent home. Please don't hesitate to email me if you have any questions.

Thank you for your interest!

Sincerely,

Lisa Thackrah  
Music Teacher [Lthackrah@cdtschool.org](mailto:Lthackrah@cdtschool.org)

(Please see reverse side for sign-up form)

**Please complete and return this form by Friday, September 8, 2023.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Please check your interests:

\_\_\_\_\_ **Instrumental Group Instruction**

I already play an instrument. Please list here: \_\_\_\_\_

I have been playing my instrument for \_\_\_\_\_ years.

If you are a beginner (Grades 4-8), please list instrument of interest: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are in Grade 3 and wish to play violin, please check here: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Select Chorus (Grades 4-8)**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Choir Chimes (Logic School/Grades 6-8)**

**\*Please note that students may only sign up for a maximum of 2 classes.**

**\*\*Remember that Grade 3 students are only eligible to sign up for VIOLIN instruction.**

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*Parent Signature*