August 27, 2026

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, 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 (CDT 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

***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 to remain in the Extracurricular Music program.**

ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED TO PERFORM IN THE END OF THE YEAR SPRING RECITAL, AS THIS IS THE CULMINATION AND SHOWCASE OF THE YEAR'S INSTRUCTION.

***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**

(Please see reverse side for sign-up form)

Please complete and return this form by Friday, September 4, 2026.

Name_____

Grade_____ Teacher _____

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