



# ORCHESTRA

**Evelyn Champion, Director**

## **Orchestra Notes 4/11/2019**

**Spring Concert May 14<sup>th</sup> 7pm**

### Solo and Ensemble Performance Evaluation

There are only 2 ½ weeks left until the event on **April 27<sup>th</sup>**! Students received performance times before spring break. Students- be sure you make arrangements to come in for help and that you practice enough over the next few weeks so that you are prepared.

### Instrument Position

Developing correct playing position gives students a solid foundation for playing a stringed instrument. Be sure when you play, you hold your instrument correctly. All violinists and violists are required to use a shoulder pad daily. Also, we have had quite a few young musicians come in with very long nails lately, but they greatly impair proper playing position, intonation, and tone quality. Please, no long nails for your young musician in orchestra- wait until summer. Thank you!



Please see this page for further information: <https://stringproject.music.utexas.edu/for-current-students/position-and-posture/>

### **SmartMusic**

All three grade levels have several SmartMusic assignments to get done before the end of the semester. These are major assessments and can be done on any device with internet except cell phones. Students should use headphones and submit their best playing!

### **iTunes**

I could use some iTunes giftcards to buy music for students, if you have any floating around you won't use. **THANK YOU** for reading the weekly notes! Please contact me if you have any questions or if I can help your child in any way.

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