



Double Branch
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Your child has shown an interest in joining our 3rd-5th grade Orff Ensemble here at Double Branch. Orff Ensemble is a small group of students that will meet on Tuesday and Friday mornings before school. During this time, they will learn songs on instruments such as the xylophones, drums and various other rhythm instruments in preparation for our concert. Rehearsals are mandatory each week and students will be dismissed to their classes from the music room when the bell rings. If students are going to breakfast, they will be able to do so before going to their class.

In order to be a part of our Orff Ensemble, students will go through an audition process. **Students interested in auditioning should fill out the form below online and sign up for an audition day.**

Audition Days: Tuesday August 31st
Wednesday September 1st
Thursday September 2nd
Friday September 3rd

Due to COVID -Students that sign up for auditions will meet Mrs. Coyne at the front entry gate by the main office at 8:40 a.m. and will be escorted to the music room. Students will maintain social distancing during the audition process and strict cleaning of instruments will be followed.

During the audition we are looking for students that can display the following:

- a good sense of steady beat
- can accurately clap various rhythmic patterns
- can hear and see a pattern being played on an instrument and play it back
- can keep a pattern going while other patterns are being played.
- can look at a piece of music and with minimal instruction and begin to figure out how to play it on their own.
- have a “never give up” attitude
- are willing to work hard and give it their all!

After the auditions, students that are selected for the Orff Ensemble will receive a letter from us stating when rehearsals will begin, concert dates etc.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at any time.

We look forward to working with all of your children and a wonderful year in Orff Ensemble!

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Coyne & Mr. Collins

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