



Jr. & Sr. Alternative Strings Auditions!

August 2018

Dear Orchestra Students and Parents,

We are very excited to announce Alternative Strings auditions for the 2018-2019 school year! Alternative Strings is a program that allows students the opportunity to learn & perform music that is not "Classical." Students in our program have performed with some of the top names in bluegrass including: Sierra Hull, Rhonda Vincent, Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver, Joe Mullins & The Radio Ramblers! View performances on YouTube. Search (Doug Eyink Alternative Strings). Any string musician (violin, viola, cello or bass) with at least two years experience playing his or her instrument is eligible to audition. Students must be a member of their school orchestra if one exists. This is a great opportunity to strengthen your musical knowledge in Celtic, Jazz & Bluegrass in addition to making new friends!

Jr. Alternative Strings meets every **Monday** after school from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. at Harmony Creek Church. We perform two concerts during the school year! One in November & one in April.

Sr. Alternative Strings meets every **Thursday** after school from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. at Harmony Creek Church. We perform four concerts during the school year! One in November, December, March & April.

Auditions: Every musician will be asked to do the following:

- Play a song or tune that shows your best!
- Play a scale (one through three octaves) of your choice
- Demonstrate your current music reading skill level

Students will be placed in either Junior or Senior Alternative Strings based on their audition.

Auditions will be held on Monday, September 10th & Monday, September 17th from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. at Harmony Creek Church 5280 Bigger Rd. Kettering, OH. You only have to audition on one of these days. Please act now! Send your application to:

The School of Strings
Alternative Strings
PO Box 752367
Dayton, OH 45475

We will call you to schedule an audition time. If you have any questions or concerns about the auditions, please contact me at (513) 705-6362.

Fees:

The membership fee for participation in Alternative Strings is \$540.00. You may choose to pay the full amount or \$70 monthly (September – April). Payment will be due upon acceptance into the group. This fee includes their performance shirt.

Please make checks payable to: The School of Strings

Musically Yours,

Doug Eyink
Jr. & Sr. Alternative Strings Director

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Application

Please complete the following form and return to: The School of Strings, Alternative Strings Auditions, PO Box 752367, Dayton, OH 45475 as soon as possible. Audition times will be assigned on a first come first served basis.

Student Name _____ Instrument _____

Number of years on instrument _____ 2018 grade & school _____

Home Address _____

City and Zip Code

Phone Number _____ Parent email _____

Cell Number _____ May we contact you by text? Yes/No

Private Teacher _____ Shirt Size: Youth _____ Adult _____

Please list any other music organization memberships (including school groups), music awards and/or honors.

Parent or guardian full names (Please print)

STUDENT SIGNATURE

PARENT SIGNATURE

* If applicable, please write teacher recommendation on the back of this form.