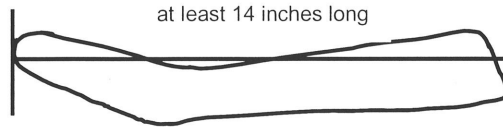


Dear Parent(s),

Your child soon will begin a required unit on the recorder, a small wind instrument, in our weekly music class. A recorder, sterilized according to the recommendations of the local public health department, is provided for use by each child. Each child, therefore, will be assigned a numbered instrument.

Each student will need to provide a clean tube sock, athletic sock, or knee sock that is at least 14 inches long from toe to cuff to serve as a protective case for the recorder. I expect to assign recorders beginning January 28 with Mrs. Gendron's class. Your child will need to have a sock present in order to receive an instrument.



If you prefer, you may purchase a soprano recorder for your child at **Music & Arts**. If you are not internet active, I can provide you with a hard copy of *Buying a Recorder* upon request; otherwise, you may find it in the "Recorders" section of the Music web page that you can access through the Baucom home page. **Any child who wishes to use a personal recorder during our unit needs to bring it to me before 9:15 a.m. to have its pitch checked. All personal recorders will need to be approved by January 24.** A personal instrument will need to have a protective case as well; suggestions for recorder cases also are listed on the Music classroom web page.

In class, I will speak with your child concerning the care and responsibility necessary when using such materials. If any of these school-owned instruments are lost or damaged beyond normal use, they must be replaced, just as any textbook or library book and paid for by you and/or your child. The current replacement cost of a recorder is \$6.00. Please note that this price is as subject to change as those of the items on your grocery list or a gallon of gas. Otherwise there is no cost involved for supplies during this unit.

Below is a statement that must be **completed, signed by you, and returned to me before I will issue a school-owned recorder** to your child.

In addition, **your child is responsible for having the instrument and its case present in order to learn during class.**

Thank you,
Michelle Seaboch
Music Specialist

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[Please sign this required statement, detach, and return it to the Music Room by January 17, 2020.]

My child, _____, and I make the following choice for the entire recorder unit:

_____ We accept the responsibility for the school-owned recorder to be issued to my child.

_____ My child will use a personal recorder which we [circle **one** of the following] #1 already own or #2 will purchase from an area music store. We understand that a recorder that we own or purchase will need to be approved by the music specialist.

Homeroom Teacher's Name

Signature of Parent

Date