**TUITION**The 2023-2024 DCMA Band and Strings Afterschool Program has 22 weeks, 11 weeks in each semester.We require parents to commit to a full year program.  The yearly tuition should be paid in full and it is **not refundable** after first session.

**PARENT/GUARDIAN/STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE**
The DC Music Academy expects every adult student and parent or guardian of a minor student to read and agree to the policies prior to DC Music Academy Band and Strings Afterschool Program Beginning. Your signature and registration is verification and confirmation that you agree to The DC Music Academy policies, that you understand that the nature of music instruction sometimes requires physical correction of the alignment of the student’s body, that the responsible party realizes there is always a risk of accident or injury inherent in any physical activity, including a music class, and, in the event of injury, authorizes The DC Music Academy to obtain emergency treatment on such adult student’s or minor student’s behalf.

Your completed registration and signature verify that you further release The DC Music Academy, its officers, directors, and employees from all liabilities for injuries or property loss or damage arising out of participation in the DC Music Academy Band and Strings Afterschool Programs. Your completed registration and signature verify that you further release The DC Music Academy from any liability for the unintentional exposure or harm due to COVID-19 or other contagious diseases.

Your registration and signature verify that you understand that the DC Music Academy will not be responsible for compensating a parent/guardian for the program fees lost due to any injury medical issues, illness, or damage sustained to my child from any cause whatsoever, including negligence or carelessness resulting directly or indirectly that the child may experience while participating in the DC Music Academy Band and Strings Afterschool Programs. Your signature in the registration is verification and confirmation that you understand that The DC Music Academy retains the right to use any photography, video recordings, or any event or class for publicity or any other legitimate purpose.

**ATTENDANCE**Please make every effort to attend all scheduled classes. There are no refunds, transfers or credits for missed days or classes. If the Program cancels class, a make up date will be provided.

**PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS**

Limitations placed on a student by a physician are respected. In case of injury that prevents a student from ability to participate in class, for example, students can observe the class or could be placed in the alternative activity.

Students who are ill should not come to the practice that day. Students must be symptom and fever-free for 24 hours to return to classes. If a student is ill with COVID-19, they should follow CDC guidelines for quarantine before returning to class and follow CDC guidelines for wearing a mask after return. If a student is sick or injured, the student’s parent/guardian must notify the DCMA instructors and staff via email at dcmaband@gmail.com, dcmastrings@gmail.com or infodcmusicacademy@gmail.com that the student is ill or injured.

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**The DCMA Band and Strings Afterschool Program Code of Conduct**

**The DC Music Academy Band and Strings Afterschool Program Code of Conduct** sets the standards necessary to promote a positive, professional, and effective learning environment to assure achievement and satisfaction. Parents/guardians should review the Code of Conduct regularly with their student and reinforce it at every opportunity.

​Families understand that the students are HERE BY CHOICE to learn to play and to accomplish the best that is in them, and through discipline, to find the freedom and joy of music art making.

Here are rules and expectations regarding behavior and attitude students have to follow during program:

**STUSDENST SHOW RESPECT FOR THEIR TEACHERS AND THE ART FORM THEY ARE LEARNING BY:**

1. Listening quietly when the instructor speaks.

2. Always follow instructor’s directions in music classes.

3. Do your best to improve instructor’s corrections right away.

4. Be prepared for your turn.

5. Always raise hand to ask a question.

6. Ask permission to leave the room for any reason and upon returning enter quietly.

7. Always finishing every activity, never walking off noisily or showing anger or aggravation.

8. Respect the instruments and materials used in class.

9. Clean up the instruments and materials in music class.

**STUDENTS SHOW RESPECT FOR OTHERS BY:**

1. Keeping their hands to themselves during classes.

2. Maintain personal space during activities.

3. Talking only when asked by the instructor.

4. Not touching other students or their belongings.

5. Never bringing or chewing gum classes.

**PARENTS SHOW RESPECT FOR THE CLASSES AND TEACHERS:**

1. Knocking before entering the classroom if class is in progress, and only doing so in the case of an emergency.

2. Picking their children up no later than 10 minutes after the class has ended. For every 15 min of late pick up it will be **$25 late fee charge** to compensate the instructors their waiting time. Exception is only the extended day students.

3. Making sure their student is aware of rules and expectations in behavior at the program.

5. Letting the program know in advance if a student will be absent.

6. Trying their best to assure attendance.

7. Clearly labeling all of their child’s instruments with a child’s name and your phone number.

9. Teaching children to never run or scream in the classrooms or program locations, and school hallways.

**To ensure a friendly and safe student learning environment at The DC Music Academy Band and Strings Afterschool Programs, multiple occasions of student disciplinary misconduct will result in dismissing the student from the program participation without any refunds and credits.**