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## HENRY MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents,

I am thrilled to be able to teach Strings this year at Mitchell Elementary. At Mitchell, 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade students are eligible to participate in the Strings program. Whether your child has experience playing the violin or not, they are welcome to join the Mitchell Strings Program. As the year progresses, your child will not only learn how to play on a violin, but they will also have several opportunities to share what they have learned by performing in various concerts. For grades 1-3, Classes will be scheduled to take place during the school day, once a week, throughout the year. For grades 4-5, classes will be scheduled to take place either in the morning before school or in the afternoon right after school. Your child will be expected to remain committed throughout the full year. Your child will also be expected to practice at home in preparation for each class. Just a few minutes each day will make a significant impact on your child's success in Strings. Parents will need to obtain a quality instrument which can be bought or rented at a variety of stores in the surrounding area. I am not affiliated with any of these stores, however I can assist in directing you to them as well as provide any needed information for buying or renting an instrument. Students should also have the following materials for their own personal instrument and use:

- Violin, bow, and case
- Shoulder pad
- Rosin
- Cleaning cloth for instrument
- Pencil

If you are interested in the Strings Program for your child, please fill out and return the attached Strings Enrollment Form.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at [timothy.dow@sdhc.k12.fl.us](mailto:timothy.dow@sdhc.k12.fl.us)

Sincerely,

Timothy Dow, Strings Specialist



# HeartStrings Enrollment Form

Student's Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Classroom Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



In order for this program to continue at Mitchell, we are asking for your help and are requesting a tax-deductible donation of ***\$200 per student*** participating in the Strings program. This donation is not mandatory and all students will participate regardless of individual donation. Any donation amount, whether more or less, is greatly appreciated.

Donation Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

My company participates in matching funds.

Please make checks payable to Henry Mitchell Elementary Foundation.

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship Option (If you are unable to make a donation, this option will indicate that you will be requesting funds from the Foundation to cover your child's contribution for the school year.)

If you have any questions or concerns in regards to HeartStrings and your donation, please feel free to contact Michael Greene at 954-232-9174 or [Michael.greene11@gmail.com](mailto:Michael.greene11@gmail.com).

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