



# Harmony For All Fund (Also called the Music Access Fund) – Information

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## **Why give?**

Music participation enriches students' lives far beyond the classroom. It also has several additional costs for students and their families. Many cannot afford these costs and, as a result, miss out on the enriching experience and extensive benefits. The Music Access Fund will support these costs for Memorial and North High School students and families in need.

## **How many children will benefit from this fund?**

Music Access Fund will potentially enable up to **30** new children each year to participate in a music ensemble of their choice.

## **How much will this fund give out each year?**

The annual grant amount to each high school will be approximately \$2,500, depending on the amount in the fund. We anticipate this amount increasing as the fund grows.

## **What grade levels will this fund impact?**

Grades 9-12 with the anticipation that eventually it will include grades 6-8.

## **What does the school district pay for?**

- Activity fee for students who qualify for free/reduced lunch
- Marching band uniforms

## **What will this fund help pay for?**

- Costumes
- Dress blacks for concerts
- Instrument rental
- Shoes
- Travel expenses
- Lessons
- Other

*“Music participation has countless benefits. Our kids belong; they feel empowered and discover new skills and passions. Cost should never be a barrier for a student who wants to play an instrument or sing in the choir.”* – Eric Dasher, Band Teacher, Memorial High School.