

**Eden Prairie String Academy** provides:

- Group lessons and orchestra for students with 0-3 years of experience on violin, viola, cello, and bass.
- Challenging orchestral literature for the experienced string student.
- A nurturing atmosphere for each student to explore their individual creative talents.
- A fun time with other students with the same level of experience to develop friendships along with the listening skills and discipline for music making.

## **2011-2012 Schedule**

### **Harmonia**

Monday 5:45-7:15 St. Andrew Lutheran Church  
Classes Start October 3

### **Preludio (2nd & 3rd year players)**

Monday 5:45—7:15 St. Andrew Lutheran Church  
Classes Start September 19

### **Intermezzo**

Sunday 4:30—6:00 Prairie Lutheran Church  
Rehearsal Starts September 18

### **Divertimento**

Sunday 6:15—7:45 Prairie Lutheran Church  
Rehearsal Starts September 18

### **Concertino**

Sunday 7:45—9:00 Prairie Lutheran Church  
Rehearsal Starts September 18

### **Rehearsal/Class Locations:**

Prairie Lutheran —11000 Blossom Road, Eden Prairie  
St. Andrew Lutheran—13600 Technology Drive, Eden Prairie

2011-2012 Orchestra  
Registration Form



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## *2011-2012*

### *15th Anniversary Season*



*Don't Settle for Good  
Enough...  
Strive for Excellence!*

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## 2011-2012 Registration Form

Please complete this form and return it with the \$30.00 registration/audition fee to the address below. Checks should be made out to the Eden Prairie String Academy.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years played: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Parent Information

Parent(s) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Father: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Choice:

\_\_\_\_\_ Harmonia (Beginners Only) 5:45—7:15 (No audition necessary)

\_\_\_\_\_ Preludio (2nd & 3rd year students) 5:45—7:15  
(No audition necessary)

\_\_\_\_\_ Audition for placement (Intermezzo, Divertimento, Concertino)



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and \$30.00 fee to:  
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### Orchestra and Lessons

**Harmonia**—A beginning string instrument experience for students entering grades 2-4. Students with no previous experience will have the choice to play violin, viola, cello, or bass. Through weekly group lessons and orchestra rehearsals students learn how to play their instrument with a strong emphasis on individual attention. Tuition includes weekly group lesson and rehearsal, all books and materials, and a minimum of 2 public performances. (Average grades: 2-4)

**Preludio**—A string orchestra and group lesson program for students at the beginner to intermediate levels (2-3 years of study). This orchestra will focus on the basic fundamentals of ensemble playing and more difficult note reading rhythmically and harmonically. Students may register for rehearsal only, if they are taking other private/group lessons. Tuition includes weekly lesson and rehearsal, all books and materials, and a minimum of 2 public performances. (Average grades: 3-6)

### Auditioned Youth Orchestras

Check our website for details on requirements for each orchestra—[www.epstringacademy.org](http://www.epstringacademy.org)

**Intermezzo**—A string orchestra for students at the intermediate levels. This orchestra will focus on advanced ensemble skills and a more challenging repertoire with complex rhythms, varied key signatures and major, minor and modal harmonies. (Average grades 5-8)

**Divertimento**—A string orchestra for advanced string students. This orchestra will focus on literature selected from standard string orchestra repertoire. (Average grades 8-12)

**Concertino**—Advanced and committed Divertimento students will be invited to join the Concertino Orchestra. This orchestra will give dedicated students a chance to solo with the orchestra on concertos and will perform standard chamber orchestra literature. (Average grades 10-12)

### Tentative 2011-2012 Concert Dates

November 20—Fall Festival Concert

December—Intermezzo/Divertimento Concert—Mall of America

April 29—Spring Festival Concert

May 7—Harmonia/Preludio/Intermezzo Outreach Concert & Party

May 19-20 - 15th Anniversary Alumni Weekend

May 20—15th Anniversary Concert—Divertimento, Concertino and Alumni

Watch the website for other special events to be planned for the 11-12 season!

### Audition Information

Placement auditions are required of all students who wish to be in the Intermezzo, Divertimento or Concertino Orchestras.

**Auditions will be held at Prairie Lutheran Church on:  
Sunday, September 11 3:00—8:30PM**

Call 952-947-9400 or email [michelle@epstringacademy.org](mailto:michelle@epstringacademy.org) to schedule an audition. Auditions will last approximately 5 to 8 minutes.

### Playing requirements:

1. One unaccompanied solo piece.
2. One major scale of conductor's choice.
3. Brief sight reading excerpt provided at the audition.

\*Your solo should be your most difficult, but polished piece.

\*Remember, it is not what you play, but how well you play it!

\*Students must audition each year regardless of previous participation.

### TUITION INFORMATION

**Registration/Audition Fee:** \$30.00 for all students (non-refundable, not applicable to tuition.)

**Harmonia & Preludio:** \$625.00 Tuition due at 1st class or 2 payments of \$312.50 due at first class and week of January 10th

**Intermezzo & Divertimento:** \$525 Tuition due at 1st rehearsal or 2 payments of \$262.50 due at 1st class and week of January 10th

**Concertino:** \$100 Tuition in addition to Divertimento tuition

*You may deduct \$25 from tuition if tuition is paid in full by the 1st rehearsal.*

\*Tuition includes all books and class material. Students are responsible for providing their own instrument and folding music stand.

\*Scholarships—No qualifying student will be turned away because of financial reasons. Please call for an application.

\*EPSA offers a sibling discount of \$50 per additional child

### Harmonia Instrument Demonstrations & Information

EPSA staff will be available during the audition times listed above to demonstrate the instruments and answer any questions. Please stop by at anytime during the auditions.