

Recorder Time

Students in grades 3 through 5 will be playing recorders this year. We will be using Recorder Karate, a program designed to progressively challenge students' recorder skills using a set repertoire. We will also use recorders to improvise and supplement other songs.

The cost of recorders will be \$7.00. This covers the cost of recorders, shipping, and related musical supplies. Attached you will find an order form for the recorders if you need to purchase one. Students may pay by cash or check.

Students are not required to have their own recorders. However, the school recorders are used by all students in 3rd and 4th grades and if students prefer to have their own so they are not sharing, they should buy their own. 5th graders have a classroom set available for them but if they wish to purchase one for home, they may do so. Recorders are cleaned after each use in a soap, bleach, and water process, as is required by the school district and the health department.

Please do not buy a recorder from a dollar store to be used in school. While it may sound fine on its own, many different brands of recorders do not blend well, creating a cacophony. If you prefer to buy a recorder from a music store, ask the store for a Yamaha recorder with Baroque or English fingering.

To encourage recorder playing and the creative process, we may add recorder part to any song we are working. Therefore, students may bring their recorders to music every time.

Sincerely,
Ms. Hye Youn Joo Sin
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Please cut here and include this form with the envelope for recorders.

_____ **# of recorders to be ordered at \$7.00 each**

_____ **student name**

_____ **parent name**

_____ **classroom teacher**

\$ _____ **amount enclosed**