



IT'S RECORDER TIME!

Dear SJCS Fourth Grade Parents,

August 2019

The Grade 4 Music curriculum includes recorders. Recorder study:

- teaches fine motor skills.
- develops hand-eye coordination.
- is an inexpensive yet effective introduction to wind instruments.
- prepares Grade 4 students for Grade 5 Band.
- brings together many music concepts including music reading, ensemble playing, and skillful performing.

Your child will need a recorder for the entire school year.

- Having the recorder at every music class is part of the recorder grade. Encourage students to leave the recorders at school in their desk, cubby, or the music room.
- We will culminate our recorder study on Sunday, May 17, 2020 at the SJCS 60th celebration and "Concert on the Green." **Concert attendance is required for all Grades 4-8 musicians.**
- All students will be using a Peripole-Bergerault recorder this year.
- Outside practice is not required for this course.

Thank you for your support of the SJCS Music Program!

Ms. Miller, SJCS Music Teacher

Return this form and your payment to Ms. Miller or Miss Laverman by Friday, August 23. Payment turned in with the first day packet should have a SEPARATE PAYMENT for recorders with "recorder" in the memo.

Print Student Name _____

All students will be using the same recorders. Each recorder will have a neck strap and durable, closeable zipper case. Please check one reply below. We will:

_____ Purchase a recorder for \$7. (Checks should be made payable to SJCS with "recorder" in the memo.) OR

_____ Bring a **labeled** Peripole-Bergerault recorder from home. (Recorder and strap must be usable.)