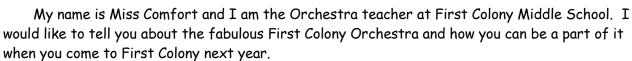


## First Colony Middle School Orchestra

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The Beginning Orchestra is a group of students who have <u>never played a string instrument before</u>. They begin playing and learning to read music at the start of the school year. By the time October rolls around they play well enough to perform a short concert. We will teach you to use your music reading skills from elementary school, and play all types of music, in addition to participating in group activities like parties and field trips. As a seventh and eighth grade students you will be part of a performing Orchestra. Advanced, Philharmonic and Honors Orchestra members participate in four or five concerts a year and travel to competitions. As a high school student, you will have even more opportunities for performance and travel. Playing a musical instrument can even bring you enjoyment after you graduate from high school!!

## We want you to know some very important facts:

- You do <u>not</u> have to know how to play or read music.
- ◆ You <u>can</u> participate in orchestra <u>and</u> be in all sports too!
- ♦ Your size is not a problem- string instruments come in all sizes!!
- You can join a more advanced orchestra if you already play a string instrument.
- Playing a string instrument is fun!
- ♦ I BELIEVE EACH OF YOU CAN BE SUCCESSFUL!

## Questions

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## Answers

How can I become a member of the First Colony Orchestra?

Simply select Orchestra as your elective choice next year on your course selection sheet from the counselors.

What if I'm not sure what to take, but I am really interested in Orchestra because it sounds like fun?

Have you or your mom or dad email Miss Comfort, Kelly.Comfort@fortbendisd.com

Who is successful in Orchestra?

Those students who have good study habits and love music!

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU IN THE FIRST COLONY ORCHESTRA NEXT YEAR!!



