

Strings Decision Considerations

- Student Participation
- Staffing Requirements
- Other District Norms

Student Participation

	3	4	5	6	7	8	HS (9-12)	Goals
Strings ^	48	38	17 *#					35-50? in HS orchestra
Band	N/A	N/A	64 *	24	21	28	56	100 in HS band

^ we offered strings at MHHS this year instead of grade 4 band; we will go back to starting band in grade 4 when the band teacher is not teaching strings

* 6 students in both

apx. 12 of these students would likely switch to band if there is no strings program for them in MS

Minimum Staffing Requirements for Strings

	21 - 22	22 - 23	23 - 24	24 - 25	25 - 26
MHHS	-.5	.4	.5	.5	.5
Middle School	0	.1	.5	.5	.5
High School	0	0	0	0	.2
Total FTE	-.5*	.5#	1.0^	1.0~	1.2

* currently we have no staffing for strings and used .5 band staffing to begin the program at MHHS

this .5 is one of the 7.5 FTE positions in ARP ESSR for 2022 - 2023

^ 1.0 staffing will need to be added to the operating budget

~ as our numbers increase, 1.0 may not be enough for MHHS & MS to share

For Comparison to Other Districts

- In a group of 19 districts our size, 3 offer a strings program.
- In a group of 10 districts our size, who's spending is similar to ours, 1 offers a strings program.
- In a group of 24 districts with a similar percentage of students who receive free & reduced lunch, 10 offer a strings program.