

Report to the School Board

RE: New instruments, instrument needs and elementary music needs.

The Neah-Kah-Nie band program received a \$2,000 donation from the Manzanita Music Festival. The district offered \$8,000 to go with the donation. The money was used to purchase new instruments including:

- Two timpani
- Bass drum with stand
- Concert toms with stand
- Bari Saxophone
- Tenor Saxophone

The new instruments have made a noticeable improvement in the overall quality of the middle school and high school band performances.

Other instrumentation/equipment needs that would provide significant impact include:

- Orff instruments – Elementary schools, \$14,920
- Bells (Glockenspiel) – High school and middle school, \$250
- Increased student instrument storage for the high school and middle school

Mr. Zaugg and Mr. Simpson both agree that the highest priority for music education in the district should be the Orff instruments.

Report from Mr. Simpson:

Garibaldi Grade School and Nehalem Elementary School are in dire need of new instruments for their annual Spring instrumental programs. Now that music class is back in actual music classrooms again, it is a prime time to replace many old, worn out instruments that have been well-used at least two decades for our annual Spring concerts. Right now until the end of this calendar year, www.westmusic.com is offering a “buy 2 get 1 free” purchase for all Sonor (high-quality) xylophones and metallophones:



To be able to have enough instruments for each school to have a classroom set, the following list is suggested:

Sonor Global Beat AX-GBF Fiberglass Alto Xylophone

Item #202411 Price: \$385 Quantity: 16 Total: \$6160



Sonor Global Beat SX-GBF Fiberglass Soprano Xylophone

Item #202410 Price: \$335 Quantity: 24 Total: \$5360.00



Sonor Global Beat GA GB Alto Glockenspiel

Item #203823 Price: \$0 Quantity: 20 Total: \$0.00



**Total Instrument Quantity: 60 (30 per school) Total: \$14,210.00 + Est. Shipping:
\$710.00 = \$14,920.00**

I would like to consider the fact that over my 13 years of tenure, my music students and I have been using instruments in many instances that were already in disrepair when I arrived and yet, we have taken great care to make them and keep them playable. I am positive that the culture of instrument care will continue. This district has always been an advocate of quality music education and the students are made aware of your efforts! We thank you for your support!