



**FOREST LAKE AREA SCHOOLS
FOREST LAKE, MN 55025**

January 4, 2018

AGENDA ITEM: 11.11

**TOPIC: Recommendation to Approve New Course Proposal –
Chamber Strings**

BACKGROUND:

In preparation for our upcoming transition to a 7-8 and 9-12 campus, the Music Department conducted a review of their current course offerings to determine any needed changes to ensure consistency and alignment across grades 7-12 as the two junior highs combine and 9th grade moves to the high school.

PROCESS:

As a result of their course review the Music Department has developed the course *Chamber Strings* as a complement to their existing courses in vocal music, *Chamber Singers*, and band, *Jazz Ensemble*, to provide an opportunity in orchestra for students who have exhibited advanced skills in the area of music.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of New Course *Chamber Strings*. This course would be offered in 18-19 pending Board Approval.