February 1, 2011

Dear Parent(s) / Guardian:

Welcome to the Twin Rivers Unified School District (TRUSD) Instrumental Music program, offered to our students in sixth, seventh, and eighth grade.

Because Twin Rivers Unified School District is committed to providing a high-quality instrumental music program for our district’s students, the Sacramento Philharmonic has been contracted to provide strings instruction.

Students will receive instruction in violin on Wednesdays and Fridays after school from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm for Beginning Strings and from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm for Advanced Strings starting on Friday, February 4, 2011 until the end of May with no classes scheduled during Spring Break.

At this time, TRUSD provides an “instrument on loan” free of charge to participating students in the program. In order for students to register for the program, please complete the attached form and hand into your student’s front office. In addition, the students will be able to participate with the understanding that the following will be monitored throughout the program:

1. **Academic Performance:** All students are given access to the program to improve achievement in all academic subjects.

2. **Attendance:** Students will strive for good attendance and be on time for after school music classes.

3. **Equipment and Practice:** Student will make the commitment to practice his/her musical instrument daily, complete music assignments and always have the musical instrument available at school on music instruction days.

4. **Participation Evaluation:** Students will be involved in music assessment which includes practicing, completing music assignments, and progress reports.

Please return this form to the front office of your school of attendance by **February 11, 2011**. Due to the popularity of the program and class size limits, we urge you to send in your application as soon as possible, however, **we will accept applications beyond the deadline**.

Lastly, please contact our VAPA Department staff or myself if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

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INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM BEFORE SCHOOL
Sacramento Philharmonic Orchestra presents
Norwood JHS String Fever
APPLICATION FOR INSTRUCTION 2010-11

To be completed by parent or guardian
Student’s Full Name: ____________________________ School: __________________
Teacher’s Name: _____________________________ Room No. _____ Grade: ______

• Did your child play song flute or recorder? ( ) yes ( ) no
  If yes, at what school? ______________________________________________

• Has he/she had piano or other music lessons? ( ) yes ( ) no

• Has he/she played in a school band or violin program? ( ) yes ( ) no
  If yes, indicate instrument(s) played ____________________________________
  For how long? ( ) Less than one year ( ) one year ( ) two or more years

• We are offering:
  ( ) violin

• Does your child need a school instrument this year? ( ) yes ( ) no

Parent’s Signature: _____________________________________ Date: ____________
Address: ________________________________________ Telephone: _____________

Student Pledge
I agree to comply with the Instrumental Music Instruction Program criteria as described in the
attached letter.
Student’s Signature ___________________________________ Date: ______________

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR CHILD’S CLASSROOM TEACHER
(This section for school use only)

Student Information
Attendance: Tardies _____ Absences _____ 2010 CST ELA _____ 2010 CST Math _____
Comments: ___________________________________________________________________________________

Teacher’s Signature: _____________________________ Date: ______________________
Principal’s Signature _____________________________ Date: ______________________