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Dear Hillside 4th Grade Families,

We are beginning the process of putting together our Hillside Band and Hillside Orchestra. Right now, we'd like to find out who's interested in participating this year. All instrumental lessons will be delivered remotely to begin. Of course, we are hoping that we will be able to provide live instruction at some point this year.

Learning to play a musical instrument is an exciting, new opportunity for 4th graders. Playing a musical instrument not only teaches the joy of making music, but also benefits language skills, math skills, social skills, coordination, and attention. Also, notably, playing a musical instrument decreases stress!

If your child would like to participate, please fill out this <u>Hillside Instrumental Music Survey</u> by Thursday, October 22nd. If you have any questions about the program, please contact us at the email listed below.

Thank you

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