



Elementary Band and Orchestra at Dana

2010 - 2011

For the last 7 years Dana has hosted an elementary band and orchestra afterschool program for the Point Loma elementary schools. It was a great way to get the elementary students extra help, and a preview of life at Dana. Below you will find some quick facts to help you get basic information about the program. A formal meeting will be held at Dana in the auditorium on Monday October 11th at 6pm. At this meeting you will receive more information about how to sign-up, instrument availability, and student commitments to the program.

Dates: Classes are held on Tuesdays, orchestra at 4:00pm, band at 5pm in the Dana Music Room Starting **November 2nd**.

Cost: There is no cost for the classes. I do ask each student to purchase a subscription to SmartMusic \$36 (music software for home practice and grading) and a book (essential elements 2000 book 1) about \$10. They will also need a uniform for competition and performance (about \$39).

Instruments: The students can play - Band (flute, clarinet, alto sax, trumpet, trombone, baritone, and tuba) or Orchestra (violin, viola, cello, bass). The district has given me many instruments to load out for this program, but I can't guarantee everyone will get one, or get the instrument they want. We will be focusing on the low brass and low strings when loaning out instruments, we do have the smaller ones as well. You are welcome to rent your own instrument and join the class.

Performance: The elementary band and orchestra will perform with Dana's beginning band and orchestra, including our day trip to the Knott's Berry Farm music festival. The festival cost \$105, but is not mandatory for the elementary students.

I look forward to meeting you all on October 12th, if you have any further questions please e-mail me at rflores1@sandi.net

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