Newsletter:

Three months into school, and we've already gotten so much done! From decorating our bulletin board to our *first* orchestra night, we have been checking off our to-do list since September. Let's relive some of the highlights so far!

First, orchestra council and student volunteers completed a bulletin board "refresh" during the summer. As we gear up for the Hawaii trip this year, students naturally decided to go with a Hawaiian theme. A sneak peak of the bulletin board with the "what we value" exercise using sticky notes is shown below; if you would like to see more, follow our Instagram page (@bellevuehsorchestra) for our posts!



Then, classes kicked off to a quick start – jumping straight into rehearsal mode in preparation for our winter concert on December 11th. Through rehearsal skills quizzes and binder checks, every student has demonstrated readiness for class. Everyone has been working hard to put on the best performance possible for their first *official* concert, and we were excited to show you a sneak peek of our work during orchestra night back in September.





Orchestra night was held to introduce the orchestra program without having the time constraint from curriculum night. This is our first year holding the event, and we are proud of our students for preparing music in such a short time. Thank you to the volunteers, orchestra boosters, orchestra council, and Mr. Kam for running this event smoothly! Additionally, thank you to everyone who donated snacks for the night!







Finally, please look forward to our winter concert as students are practicing diligently. We hope to see all friends and family there; thank you all so much for the support that you've shown for your students so far. We can't wait to see what the rest of the year has to offer!

Student Spotlights:

Name: Chloe Chiang

Grade: 11th

Orchestra Class: Chamber

Instrument: Violin

Favorite Composer(s): Holst and Vivaldi

What do you enjoy most about orchestra class? Teamwork & bonding with classmates both through music & class.



Name: Eli Penner

Grade:11th

Orchestra Class: Period 5 Sinfonia

Instrument: Violin

Favorite Composer(s): Dvorak

What do you enjoy most about orchestra class? I enjoy getting to work as a team and

collaborate with my peers everyday!



Name: Ashlen McKee-Pflaum

Grade:11th

Orchestra Class: Sinfonia

Instrument: Violin

<u>Favorite Composer(s):</u> George Frideric Handel

What do you enjoy most about orchestra class? Creating music with friends.

