



May 15, 2019

Dear SDYS Opus musicians and families,

Congratulations on a wonderful year of music-making! We are excited to share the next phase of Opus beginning in the 2019-20 school year. Community Opus after school programs will continue at **eight** school sites next year and will be managed by the Chula Vista Elementary School District (CVESD) with SDYS staff and teaching artist support. SDYS will also provide support during the school day at schools with VH1 Save the Music Foundation grants. This continued partnership between SDYS in CVESD will help build band and orchestra programs on campuses that have VH1 programs and will build support capacity for teachers to grow their school-based programs across the district.

Opus musicians in 3rd - 5th grade are invited to continue participating in after-school music enrichment at any of the eight Opus sites in 2019-20. We will notify you when registration opens. Some sites are in the process of being finalized, but **four sites are already confirmed for next year:**

- Rosebank Elementary
- Otay Elementary
- Rohr Elementary
- Juarez Lincoln

Students are also invited to audition for the SDYS Conservatory program in Balboa Park and can still register through **Wednesday, July 24**. There are audition slots available in Chula Vista on Wednesday, May 22 and Thursday, May 23 for Opus musicians who sign up **before Monday, May 20**. For more information, please check out the [Audition Handbook](#).

As always, Opus musicians may keep their SDYS instrument over the summer if they register for the SDYS Conservatory program.

The Community Opus Project's chamber music and creative composition programs will also continue in 2019-20. We are in the process of developing the details for these ensembles, which will feature both intermediate and advanced string ensembles for grades seven and above (including current Festejo students). SDYS will make details of these programs available to you before the 2019-20 school year begins.

We are proud of the progress of each Opus musician and thank our parents and the community for embracing music and arts education. CVESD and SDYS look forward to continuing to support your student's music education. Together, we can build a stronger music education community in CVESD. If you have any questions, please contact Kaitlyn Korogy de Guarneros at kkorogy@sdys.org or 619-233-3232 x210.

Sincerely,

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