



August 24, 2010

To: Parents and students in the Albuquerque Junior String Orchestra  
From: Gloria Velasco, Conductor and Gabriel Gordon, Music Director  
Re: Thank you and welcome!

Thank you for the registration for your child's enrollment in the Albuquerque Junior String Orchestra. We are planning a wonderful year of music for your child!

The Albuquerque Junior String Orchestra (AJSO) will rehearse on Wednesday afternoons from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. at **Sandia High School (7801 Candelaria Road NE, at the corner of Candelaria and Pennsylvania)**. If you park in the parking lot on that corner, the fine arts buildings are on the north end of that parking lot. The AJSO will rehearse in the Orchestra Room.

In order for your child to come well prepared to the rehearsals, please note the following:

- Please arrive 5 - 10 minutes early to each rehearsal so that your child will be tuned and ready to begin promptly at 4:30 p.m. Please plan to pick your child up at 6:00 p.m. – we will always end on time.
- Bring a folding music stand and pencil. Music folders will be provided.
- Cello players need to bring an endpin holder.
- There will be a short break in each rehearsal. You may want to send a snack for your child.

Please be sure to check your child's music folder each week for any information handed out at rehearsal. Prior to the first rehearsal, be sure to review the AYS Program handbook on our website: [www.aysmusic.org](http://www.aysmusic.org), with your child so that they will understand what is expected of them this year. A schedule of the rehearsals and performances is also enclosed. **Please return the "Permission to Participate" and parent information forms along with your tuition deposit by September 15.**

We sincerely appreciate your participation and support of the Albuquerque Youth Symphony Program. Please call us at 875-1319 if you have any questions!