

# NVHS ~ Wildcat Fiddlers

**PURPOSE:** Wildcat Fiddlers is an extra-curricular music group that performs for the community during the school year. This is an optional group for those students excited about playing fiddle style music. Students also have opportunities to play solos, improvise, sing and dance (if they want to!). Students may also try their hand at some authentic fiddle group auxiliary instruments, such as washboard, woodblocks, mandolin, and more. This is an exciting group that enjoys playing at various concerts and extra functions during the year.



**REHEARSALS:** Rehearsals will be Tuesday from 7:00 – 8:30. There will be weeks when we will need to rehearse on a different night due to department events. Slight adjustments to our schedule might need to be made throughout the year. Please review the rehearsal schedule carefully. Please consider your time commitment to the Wildcat Fiddlers when joining other Neuqua sports and activities.

**HOW TO JOIN:** Any student enrolled in an NVHS music group is welcome to join and should be experienced playing violin, viola, cello, bass, acoustic guitar, piano, banjo, or mandolin. Students not in an NVHS music class must email/call the teachers for consideration/approval. NO AUDITION is required. However, students who make the commitment to join are expected to attend and be on time to all rehearsals and performances throughout the year. Students will need to purchase the Wildcat Fiddler T-Shirt for \$12.

## **Teacher Contact Information:**

Mr. Pfeil @ 630.428.6452 (Brad\_Pfeil@ipsd.org)

Students who register for Wildcat Fiddlers are expected to be at all required rehearsals and performances. Students will be allowed 2 absences per major performance. If you must miss a rehearsal, please email or call one of us as soon as you know of the conflict.

Thank you for your cooperation!

## **Goals of the Wildcat Fiddlers are:**

1. To give Neuqua Valley High School music students the opportunity to play in an alternative performing ensemble. This ensemble primarily plays fiddle tunes and focuses on bluegrass, old time, folk, and country styles of music.
2. Other styles of music will be included such as jazz, rock, pop, etc.
3. To memorize as much music as possible for the purposes of ear training, musicianship, solos, improvisation, and performances.
4. To perform for our school community and families during the school year. See the following page for important dates throughout the upcoming year.

## Important Wildcat Fiddlers (WF) Dates:

### **Registration**

**Friday, Sept. 2nd** All registration forms are due. Forms may be turned in to any NVHS orchestra teacher (Mr. Pfeil, Mr. Schwaegler, Mr. Kosobayashi.)

## **Spooktacular Rehearsal Schedule**

### **Rehearsal Schedule**

Tuesday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
**Monday, Oct. 3rd** 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
**Monday, October 17th** 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room

**Concert – Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> - 4:30 P.M.**

**Call Time – 3:15**

**Concert attire – Halloween costumes, western clothes, etc.**

## **World Voices, Steel Band, Wildcat Fiddlers Concert**

Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
**Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>** 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
**Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> 6:30 – 8:15 Gold Campus Orchestra Room Freshman Night**  
Tuesday, December 6<sup>st</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> 2:45 – 3:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> 2:45 – 3:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> **7:00 – 8:00** NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room

Dress Rehearsal TBA

**Concert – Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00 Concert – 5:45 Call Time**

## **Fiddlefest Concert with Middle Schools**

Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, February 28<sup>nd</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
**Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>** 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
**Monday, April 3rd** 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room

Dress Rehearsal TBA

Concert - Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00 Concert – 5:45 Call Time

## **Fine Arts Festival**

Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:00 NVHS Main Campus Orchestra Room  
Fine Arts Festival - Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>

### **Students & Parents:**

If you know of any places that may enjoy a performance by our Wildcat Fiddlers, please let us know. We are very interested in more community outreach performances. Your assistance in finding more places to perform is always appreciated. Thanks!

