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A letter to the community:

Research shows students who participate in instrumental music activities do better in math, science, history, literature, international languages, reading and writing, and even in computer science in addition to what it teaches in terms of teamwork and self-discipline.

<u>Music4Life</u>TM is a non-profit organization that provides donated and repaired musical instruments at no charge to Everett Public Schools. The district, with the help of Music4Life is committed to providing a musical instrument for every student interested in participating in an instrumental music program.

The work of *Music4Life* (<u>www.Music4Life.org</u>) is guided by the Everett *Music4Life* Booster Club. This booster club comprises community activists who care about kids, instrumental music and education and has my full endorsement. Other local leaders who share those values are welcome to join the Everett *Music4Life* Booster Club by contacting its Chair, Jane Webber.

Further, many people have lovingly used musical instruments in their garages, attics or closets. Their highest and best use may be to put them back into play so a new generation of students can benefit from them. If you or someone you know has such a musical instrument, please consider donating it to *Music4Life*. A donor form is available for downloading from their website. Funds to repair these musical instruments are also welcome.

Everett *Music4Life* is one of ten local school district based programs, joining Auburn, Bremerton, Edmonds, Highline, Kent, Marysville, Northshore, Seattle, and Shoreline Public Schools. We invite you to join us in this worthy and important work.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ian B. Saltzman

Superintendent