

Conservatory Lab Charter School

Monday Notes



Upcoming
Dates to
Note:



- **Silent Auction**
(at Florian Hall)
May 16
- MCAS - Science
(grade 5)
May 13, 14
- MCAS - Math
(grades: 3, 4 and 5)
May 20, 21
- MCAS - Social
Studies (grade 5)
May 13, 14
- Memorial Day
No School
May 26

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From the Principal

Dear Families,

I would like to give you an update on our hiring for the open teaching positions in grades 2-5 for next year, and I am happy to say that we have made enormous progress. We have filled 3 of the 4 open positions. It is common practice to wait to assign a specific grade to each teacher until all are hired, and we will do so when the final teacher is hired.

First, I am pleased to announce that Althea Dias will be returning next year and will continue to teach third grade. Megan Howe, our co-teacher in Kindergarten, will have a classroom position of her own as well. Ms. Howe is an experienced teacher, having taught third grade, and now kindergarten at CLCS. I am pleased to say that we have also hired Michelle Marzi for

another classroom position. Ms. Marzi has taught for six years in Connecticut.

The hiring committee, which is comprised of teachers and parents, is still in the process of interviewing candidates to round out the classroom positions, and fill the final opening. We have several promising candidates and I hope to be announcing our final hire to you shortly.

We have also been in the process of interviewing for the two co-teaching positions in both the kindergarten and first grades. We are close to making final decisions on those as well. In the next few weeks I hope to have the school fully staffed as we look ahead to orient and train our new teachers this summer.

Take care,

Mark Jacobson, Principal



CONSERVATORY LAB
CHARTER SCHOOL

a public school for learning through music

Violin:

**16 SCHOOL DAYS UNTIL
THE CONCERT!!!**

The concert is right around the corner, and many of these days will be used for MCAS testing so it is VERY IMPORTANT that children practice every night and remember to bring their violins to and from CLCS. They should be practicing Massachusetts Pine Cone Twinkle, Twinkle Theme (or harmony, or fancy), Song of the Wind, and Shortnin' Bread. Thank you for your help!

Recently, a lot of children have been leaving their violins on the busses and not telling adults when they realize that their violins are missing. One violin was stolen and destroyed as a result of being left on the bus. Please speak with your children about the importance of keeping the violin safe at all times. Violins cost \$450-\$500 to replace, and if left on the bus, you are responsible for replacing the violin.

As we get to the end of the year, some families begin to purchase violins for graduating students. If you are thinking of doing this, please call one of the violin teachers- many of the deals on the internet are actually instruments that will not work. We will try our best to help you find a working instrument that will fit your budget.