

Beginning a xylophone collection at Grant

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NPS Building: Grant Elementary School

Amount Requested: \$385

Evaluation/Measureable Result: I will know they've learned it because I will be able to see and hear what they play.
If they don't learn it, I can simplify the part till it meets them where they are.
If they already know it, I can ornament the part to add and additional challenge.
I would share activities using this instrument on my twitter account, and possibly for the newspaper panther project. I would also share items with teachers who use See Saw in their class to share with parents that way.

Itemized Budget: Sonor Global Beat AX-GBF Fiberglass Alto Xylophone.....\$385.00

Project Summary: This project would provide Grant elementary school with one Sonor Global beat alto xylophone to have for the constant use of Grant students. This is a high quality, durable and beautiful instrument that will last many years!

Timetable and Plan: My long term goal is to acquire a class set (10-15) of bared instruments for Grant elementary. This xylophone would be a great first start! These instruments can be difficult to acquire, as the cost of just one exceeds the budget I am given each year. The durability and versatility of the instrument makes it an excellent investment for the music room.
I would plan to use this instrument often throughout the year for various activities so students can develop coordination and skill on the instrument. With a start of just one, I would use combinations of small percussion instruments I do have, with singing and movement so all students can participate in class while still taking turns at the instrument.

Teacher Comments: The elementary music teachers have already revived a generous gift of instruments like this from the foundation. These have been wonderful! However, these are to be rotated among the 4 elementary music teachers. I want my students at Grant to eventually have instruments that stay at their school so they can experience them regularly, not just one quarter a year. Also, Grant is still currently the only elementary school that does not have any barred instruments that are at the school permanently. It starts with one!