## VERY BEGINNING STRING ORCHESTRA

# MARCH OF THE MATHEMAGICIANS

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#### INSTRUMENTATION

- I Conductor
- 8 Ist Violin
- 8 2nd Violin
- 5 Viola
- 5 Cello
- 5 String Bass
- I Optional Piano
  - Accompaniment
- 2 Percussion
  - (Bass Drum, Snare Drum)

#### **PROGRAM NOTES**

As fingers add and subtract notes, they cast a spell on the fingerboard! A strong march rhythm provides structure and drive while young players practice beginning finger patterns. MARCH OF THE MATHEMAGICIANS can be performed by first-year players who have mastered the D Major scale. All notes are in the first position with no high 3s or forward extensions. With the exception of a few notes on the G string in the basses, all sections use only the D and A strings. Each section has an opportunity to play this very easy melody. The catchy, toe-tapping tune is readily accessible to first-year players, and will be the highlight of any concert!

### NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

All Belwin string parts have been carefully bowed and fingered appropriately by level. The Yellow Very Beginning series includes many bowings as well as reminder fingerings for first-time readers. The Red Beginning series includes frequent bowings to assist younger players. Fingerings for altered pitches are often marked. The Green Intermediate series includes appropriately placed bowings for middle-level students. Fingerings and positions are marked for notes beyond first position. The Blue Concert series includes bowings appropriate for the experienced high school player. Fingerings and position markings are indicated for difficult passages.

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