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Guidelines for Using This Syllabus

Students who have progressed to the next grade level should continue to use many of the works listed under less advanced Methods and Studies. Students can always improve works already studied. Students will do well to study pieces found in the sections earlier than the grade level to which they have progressed.

Because of the volatile nature of music publishing, there in no guarantee that all music listed is in print. I have also not listed publishers' addresses, except for privately published material. Company addresses often change, and a list of addresses would surely be out of date by the time the next revision is published. With the advent of the internet, finding publishers' contact information is easy.

In the interest of clarity and streamlining of the listings, I used the following abbreviations:

- Op 1/1 = Opus 1, No. 1
- Bk = Book or Books
- No = Number or Numbers
- V or v = volume or volumes
- [arr] = arranged by
- [ed] = edited by
- vn/va/vc/db/pno = violin, viola, cello, double bass, piano
- Abbreviations for other instruments should be just as obvious.
- Upper/lower case = Major/minor key, e.g., D = D major, f = F Minor

Committee Members

Violin

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Viola

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Cello

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VIOLIN

Grade 1

Materials are designed to develop the most basic right and left hand skills, which establish pure tone and secure intonation. The left hand usually remains in first position with few alterations of finger placement. The keys of G, D, A, and C are most commonly employed; most chromatic changes are made with the second or third finger. Simple rhythmic patterns are played with detached strokes or 2-4 note slurs.

Methods

| Anderson & Frost [ed] Applebaum, Samuel Dick, William & Laurie Scott | All For Strings String Builder, v 1-2 Mastery for Strings: A Longitudinal Sequence of Instruction for School Orchestras, Studio | Kjos Belwin Mills Mastery for Strings Press |
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| | Lessons, and College Method Courses—Level 1 | |
| Doflein, Erich & Elma | Doflein Method, v 1 | Schott |
| Fedor, Daniel | Fedor Violin Method, v 1 | Fedor International |
| Fisher, Erwin | Der Junge Geiger Vn and pno books separate; no English translation. | Verlag Neue Musik |
| Frost, Robert | Especially for Strings, v 1-2 | Kjos |
| Grisson, Carl | Learn With Tunes, Bk 1 | Willis |
| Givens, Shirley | Adventures in Violinland, v 1-2 | SeeSaw |
| Kanack, Alice Kay | Creative Ability Development, Bk 1 | (Summy-Birchard/ Warner Bros.)* |
| Kapsalis, Glenda | Bits and Pieces 1, Fingerboard Fun 1 | |
| | Techni-Tricks 1, Think Theory 1 | G. Kapsalis |
| Laoureux, Nicolas | Practical Method, v 1 [ed Baker] | G. Schirmer/Hal Leonard |
| O'Reilly, Sally | String Rhythms | Kjos |
| Ployhar, Zepp | It's String Time | Belwin-Mills |
| Rhoda, Janice Tucker | ABC's of Violin, Bk 1-2 | C. Fischer |

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Studies

| Anderson & Frost [ed] Avsharian, Evelyn | Solos & Etudes 1 ABC Note Speller Bk 1-2, Fun with Notes, Fun with Positions, Fun with Rhythm, Mississippi Hot Dog Lonely Hamburger Band, | Kjos |
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| | Sliding Fingers | Shar |
| Bornoff, George | Bornoff's Finger Patterns for Violin | Gordon V. Thompson |
| Cohen, Mary | Scaley Monsters | Faber |
| Cohen, Mary | Superstudies, Bk 1-2 | Faber |