

# Starting a School Handbell Program:

Using handbells and handchimes  
with your music students

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# Introductions

- Tell us about your program.
- What brings you here today?
- What are you looking to get out of today's session?





MORAVIAN ACADEMY  
1984 FIELD HOCKEY  
DISTRICT 11  
PIAA A.A. STATE  
CHAMPIONS

MORAVIAN ACADEMY  
FIELD HOCKEY  
2003  
COLONIAL LEAGUE  
CHAMPIONS

MORAVIAN ACADEMY  
PENN-JERSEY LEAGUE  
1992  
GIRLS BASKETBALL  
CHAMPIONS

MORAVIAN ACADEMY  
BASKETBALL  
YEARS POINTS  
KATIE WYLAND 03-07 1274  
MICHAEL CAPOFARI 03-07 1048  
ALEX LAMAR 06-08 1076  
LOGAN BERNARD 07-11 1216

MORAVIAN ACADEMY  
BASKETBALL  
1000 POINT SCORERS  
YEARS POINTS  
KATHLEEN FARRELL 89-93 1227  
MAUREEN MAHLMAN 92-96 1097  
MATTHEW STEIN 97-01 1383  
TAM OBERKAMP 99-03 1138  
JAMIE GUSTAFSON 99-03 1150  
DREW BALSCH 01-05 1953

SOCCER  
2011  
2005 2007  
2000  
PIAA  
DISTRICT 11  
CHAMPIONS

HOME VISITOR  
FOULS PLAYER FOULS  
PERIOD

MORAVIAN ACADEMY  
BOYS SOCCER  
2004  
COLONIAL LEAGUE  
CHAMPIONS

MORAVIAN ACADEMY  
SOCCER  
1991  
COLONIAL LEAGUE  
CHAMPIONS

MORAVIAN ACADEMY  
SOCCER  
1991  
PENN-JERSEY  
SOCCER CHAMPIONS



# Why Handbells/Handchimes?

## Benefits:

- It is a kinesthetic musical experience
- Enables Social Emotional Learning (SEL)
  - Communal music making
  - Individual responsibilities
  - Great team building experience
- Allows for easily differentiated instruction
- Provide for natural music literacy sequencing
- It is FUN!



# Equipment Needs



- Handbells/Handchimes
- Tables
- Foam
- Fabric Covers
- Binders
- Gloves
- Mallets

# Types of Ensembles

Large Ensemble



Small Ensemble



Solo



# Resources

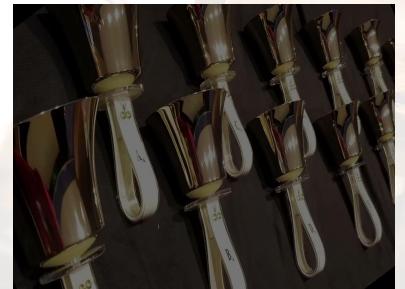
## Ensemble Based

- Choosing literature
  - [Publishers](#)
  - Level systems
  - Suggested Starters
- Method Books
- Assessment
  - [Rubrics](#)
  - [Score Sheets](#)
- Notation reading strategies

## General Music

- Programs/Lesson Plans
  - Chord Stories
  - Song Tales
  - Ring a Story Series
  - [ChimeMagic](#)
  - [ChimeWorks](#)

[BellEd Website](#)



# Arts Standards and Handbells

- Sample Scope and Sequence from Columbus City Schools
  - [Handbells 1](#)
  - [Handbells 2](#)
- [Chimeworks Article about Meeting the National Core Standards](#)
- [Meeting the National Standards for Handbells](#)





# Acquiring Equipment

- Purchasing Sets
- Rent to Own
- Give-A-Bell
- [HMA Loan programs](#)
- Grants



  
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