The School for Strings Calendar 2025 - 2026

Registration for ALL STUDENTS

Wednesday — Friday, September 3 - 5

Faculty Meeting: Sunday, September 7

Teacher Training Seminar Preliminary Sessions

2nd year Violin – September 8 5:30PM-7:30PM 1st year Piano & Violin – TBD 1st & 2nd year Cello – TBD

Every Child Can (required course for first year

Teacher Trainees) Sunday, September 28 10AM-

5PM **(AL)**

School Year Begins Friday, September 12

Beginner children start Friday, October 31

BREAKS

Rosh Hashana: Monday, September 22 – Tuesday,

September 23

Classes Resume Wednesday, September 24

Yom Kippur: Wednesday, October 1 – Thursday, Oct. 2

Classes Resume Friday, October 3

Thanksgiving: Tuesday, November 25 – Sunday,

November 30

Classes Resume Monday, December 1

Winter Break: Tuesday, December 23 –

Sunday, January 4

Classes Resume Monday, January 5

Martin Luther King Day: Monday, January 19

Classes Resume Tuesday, January 20

Presidents' Day: Sunday, February 15 – Sunday,

February 22

Classes Resume Monday, February 23

Spring Break: Friday, March 27 – Tuesday, April 7

Classes Resume Wednesday, April 8

Memorial Day: Friday, May 22 – Monday, May 25

Classes Resume Tuesday, May 26

Last Day of School Tuesday, June 2

Performance Schedule

Violin Sunday Recitals

Winter: December 14 & December 21

Spring: April 19 & April 26

Cello Sunday Recitals

Winter: December 7 Spring: May 31

Piano Sunday Recitals

Winter: January 18 & January 25

Spring: May 10 & May 17

Advanced Recital Series

Winter: Friday, Jan. 23 & Saturday, Jan. 24

Spring: Friday, May 15 & Saturday, May 16

Chamber Music Sunday Recitals

Winter: February 1

Spring: May 3

Mid-Year Festival: Sunday, February 8

Orchestra Concert: Sunday, March 15

Piano Concerts @ Weill Hall: Wednesday, June 3 &

Sunday, June 7

Chamber Concerts @ Weill Hall: Thursday, June 4

Anniversary Festival @ Carnegie: Saturday, June 6

Festivals are group performances for ALL violinists and cellists, from the youngest beginner to the most advanced performer. Selections from the Suzuki music books are performed in reverse order, hardest to easiest; students enter the

concert on their most advanced POLISHED piece, and play

their way down the list to Twinkle.

SFS Parents Association Pot Luck Dinner and Raffle:

Sunday, February 8 (post Mid-Year Festival)

Teacher Appreciation Week: May 4 - 9

Summer School (2026)

June 16 – July 30 (Tuesday – Thursday)

Pre-Season Lessons (Fall 2026)

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Dress Code

Recitals and Festivals

Your choice of "nice" clothes; dress shoes for all, nice pants and shirts for boys, a dress or nice skirt/pants and blouse for girls. No nail polish, jeans or sneakers, please.

Orchestra Concerts and Special Events

Standard orchestra dress: dress shoes for all, dark pants, white shirts for boys, dark skirts/pants and white tops for girls.

No rings or bracelets, please.

SCHOOL POLICY ON INCLEMENT WEATHER CLOSINGS

Check any New York City radio station: in most cases, The School for Strings will follow the decision of the NYC public schools.