



Travelling Instrument petting zoo
Supported by **Collins Music Center**

Would your students like to see AND play instrument families from the orchestra? Try the cornet, trombone, French horn, violin, viola, cello, or a large assortment of percussion instruments. Treat your classes to a noisy, fun time and schedule the zoo at your school! (All brass mouthpieces are sanitized after each use.)

Reservation required! Calendar available upon request

The **School** or Facility should provide:

- Music teacher presence during entire petting zoo visit
- 1-2 people to help unload/load all instruments, if possible
- 4 or 5 6' tables and 1 chair
- Large room where seated students take up only ½ space, such as gym, library or cafeteria (because of noise, please do not schedule a petting zoo near students taking tests!)
- If possible, 2-3 volunteers to assist and arrive 15 minutes early for training





Because there are a **limited number of instruments** for students to play, classes may be no larger than:

- 25-28 student maximum for elementary classes, **WITH Teacher** present at all times
- 12 student maximum for pre-school classes, **WITH Teacher** present at all times

VSO education staff can possibly **provide volunteers**, if your school cannot guarantee 2 adult volunteers will be present during the 3 hours of petting zoo.

Musical petting zoo classes should be:

- 20-25 minutes long for pre-school students,
- 30 minutes long for kindergarten – 2nd grade students, and
- 35-45 minutes long for 3rd - 5th grade students.

Maximum petting zoo visit with students is 3 hours. Calendar available upon request. **Reservations are required.**



Before the petting zoo date:

The school music teacher will provide background information about student's level of understanding of the Orchestra, instrument families, individual instruments, composers, and conductors. The school music teacher will help establish goals for each petting zoo visit according to the grade level and depth of student's knowledge.



Payment:

\$20 payment may be made in advance, the day of the visit or we can provide an invoice. A school check should be made out to the Victoria Symphony.

Evaluation:

School Music Educator will complete survey emailed from Director of Education to give feedback for educational success of petting zoo visit.

Email vsoeducation@sbcglobal.net or call 361-576-4500 for more information.