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Dear parent,

I am excited to announce a change in our music department curriculum. Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, Judith Giacoma Elementary is expanding its music program to include piano lessons for all students.

A 24-station piano keyboard lab has been added to allow for classroom piano instruction. The lab is outfitted with headsets that will allow for individual, small group, and large group instruction and practice as well as two-way communication. Each class will receive piano instruction and practice time once every four school days throughout the school year. All instructional materials will be provided by the school as a part of the curriculum. More details about the lab and how it will fit into the schedule are included in the attached Question and Answer page.

An instrument for home practice is recommended but not required. Parents who wish to provide an instrument at home are encouraged to contact B & J Music in Danville, who have agreed to provide discounts on instruments and instruction books to Giacoma parents. Instruments are available at a wide range of prices and can be purchased on a rent-to-own basis. Please see the attached Purchase Options page for more information, or contact B & J Music at 443-1050.

Musically yours,

Mr. Bonties