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Christopher Jevens  
Orchestra Teacher  
Rachel Carson I.S. 237  
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Dear Mr. Jevens:

I wanted to be sure and take the time and care to write you. We have been the beneficiary of a number of your students the last few years, and I wanted to be sure and thank you. One in particular, Julian Caron-Mavrikis is doing exceptionally well. He is currently the bassist in our school's Chamber Orchestra. By the time our Jazz/Pop concert rolls around on March 15<sup>th</sup>, he will have performed 7 different times, learning three separate programs. He will also have had the opportunity to participate in clinics with Martha Mooke, the violist/composer, and the Emmy award winning composer, Jim Dooley.

I wanted first, to thank you for the exceptional work you do with your students, and most certainly thank you for sending kids our way here at St. Francis Prep. We are lucky to have a broad and articulated string program that includes beginner classes, an entry level orchestra, an intermediate orchestra, and our elite Chamber Orchestra. In 2020, this latter group will potentially be touring Ireland. We also have a free Music Lesson program.

In addition to the performance opportunities, our upperclassmen can take two levels of Music Theory (including Advanced Placement), Orchestration (Finale), Music Technology and Production (Logic) and Music History (for college credit). I'm enclosing a number of brochures in the hopes that you can share them with your students. I'm also enclosing a number of vouchers that allow the bearer and all their gusts to attend our concerts for free. Please feel free to make as many copies as you might need. I'm also including some audition forms, and a write up on our department from The Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. Finally, you can see a video on our program at: [https://www.sfponline.org/dept\\_read.asp?res\\_id=154](https://www.sfponline.org/dept_read.asp?res_id=154)

Please know that we are also here as a resource for anything you might need, such as sheet music. And perhaps we'll even see you on March 15<sup>th</sup>!

Wishing you all the best in all your endeavors. I am, and remain,

Respectfully Yours,

Robert L. Johnston  
*Director of String Studies*  
*Co-Internal Coordinator, MSA*  
*Director of Publicity and Public Relations*