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CHAPTER I  
INTRODUCTION

1. Statement of Problem

Explanation of study on music talent testing.-- This thesis is an investigation of musical talent of the children in the fourth grades of the Warwick, Rhode Island public schools by means of a standardized test entitled, "The Kwalwasser Music Talent Test."<sup>1/</sup>

The purpose of testing is to evaluate each child by charting the results of the score of the music test in terms of percentiles, along with chronological ages and intelligence quotient. With these results and a consideration of physical factors, a special effort is made to have children of average or above average ability in music study a suitable instrument.

The Kwalwasser Music Talent Test can be completely administered in a thirty-minute period. A short test is more practical for elementary children. Young children tire easily and their powers of concentration are limited. This test is of sufficient length to test the pupil in pitch, rhythm, loudness, and time. It is adequate to give a comparable measure of the student's auditory potential.

Through testing and evaluating each child, a more practical instrumental program may be administered on an

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<sup>1/</sup>Jacob Kwalwasser, Kwalwasser Music Talent Test, Form B, 10-inch disc, 78 r.p.m., 10 minutes, Mills Music, Inc., New York 19, 1953.



elementary level in a large school system.

## 2. Justification of the Problem

Purpose of testing.-- The trial and error method proves much too costly for families and school systems to finance.<sup>1/</sup> Only by careful testing can one hope to put instrumental study at the elementary level on a sound basis.

Kwalwasser, in his research, has developed a test to be given to children at the fourth grade level. This test examines natural ability in pitch, rhythm, loudness, and time. By the use of this test, latent talent may be located, evaluated; and, through cooperation of the home, instrumental study may be started in class lessons in school time, in private study, or both. Otherwise, this musical potential might remain dormant.

Children who study stringed instruments need to be especially sensitive to pitch. In the Kwalwasser Music Talent Test, the student must discriminate between pitch and rhythm, pitch and loudness, or pitch and time in thirty of the forty choices<sup>2/</sup> given. Therefore, if a child achieves a good score on the test and he is of average or above average intelligence, his chances of being a successful player on a stringed instrument are good.

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<sup>1/</sup>Jacob Kwalwasser, Problems in Public School Music, M. Whitmark and Sons, New York, 1932, 10:129.

<sup>2/</sup>Jacob Kwalwasser, Music Talent Test, Mills Music, Inc., Talent Test Sheet, 1953. (See Appendix p. 71)

A child not receiving an average score on the talent test may study an instrument. Students weak in pitch discrimination can learn to play instruments which are key controlled, such as the piano, organ, woodwinds, or brass. If a child cannot give of his talents to music, possibly music can help the growth of the child.

Through a preliminary survey<sup>1/</sup> sent to twenty-three school systems in the United States, it was found that over 65 per cent of the schools pre-tested students before the study of instrumental music in the elementary school. In other instances, Songflutes and Tonettes were used by third grade pupils. If the child was successful on this pre-band instrument, it was assumed he would be successful on other instruments of the band or orchestra.

Therefore, through a thorough investigation and evaluation of music talent at the fourth grade level, it is hoped to locate and give opportunity for instrumental study to those children who are endowed with a special talent in music.

Kwalwasser<sup>2/</sup> says, "Only scientific research will enable us to plan and execute a musical education intelligently."

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<sup>1/</sup>See Survey Chart Appendix Page 70.

<sup>2/</sup>Jacob Kwalwasser, Problems in Public School Music, M. Whitmarsh and Sons, New York, 1932, 10:129.

### 3. Talent Testing

Music talent testing should be started at fourth grade level.-- The child starting the study of an instrument is often unduly influenced by instrumental demonstrations given by adults who are professional instrumentalists. A child hearing a violin played by a professional instrumentalist might be influenced to purchase this kind of instrument, when actually he should be starting on a keyed instrument because of a pitch deficiency. Likewise, a fine woodwind or brass player might give a fine demonstration and the child be influenced to purchase either one, when actually he has the potential of a fine string player.

The sensible way to attack the problem of the proper instrument for the proper child is to explore the child's potential, consider the physical aspects (i.e., protruding teeth, asthma, etc.), weigh the desires of the child as to his choice of instrument, discuss the choice of instrument with the parents, then select the proper instrument for the child.

If a child does not show potential for the instrument of his choice, it is better that he wait or discontinue any idea of instrumental study in public school classes. If the family can give the child private lessons and purchase an instrument, the school is absolved of responsibility, and the parent may proceed at his own discretion.

In our public schools, it is necessary to give group instruction, class lessons, as they are called. A child

deficient in pitch needs much individual help. Such an individual will take so much of the instructor's time, the majority will not progress at a normal rate of speed. Our class lessons will progress rapidly when children are studying instruments for which they are best adapted.

Therefore, children properly placed on instruments from the beginning of their study will show constant growth, feel personal satisfaction in accomplishment, and continue the study of their instrument on through junior and senior high school.

## CHAPTER II

### REVIEW OF THE LITERATURE OF TALENT TESTING ON ELEMENTARY LEVEL

#### 1. The Kwalwasser Test

Kwalwasser Music Talent Test<sup>1/</sup> -- The Kwalwasser Music Talent Test<sup>1/</sup> is a method of measuring musical aptitude by testing the auditory potential of the child. This test is not influenced by any previous musical training and measures only the child's ability to discriminate between pitch, rhythm, loudness, and time.

On the recording,<sup>2/</sup> the tone is made by an electronic device called an "oscillator" which generates a tone relatively free from overtones.

After hearing a recorded three-tone pattern which is repeated with a difference, the child is told to check whether the difference is one of pitch, rhythm, loudness, or time.

Building of the test.-- There are forty different choices to be made. The pitches used in the recording are E, F, and G, tuned to tempered scale frequencies of 659, 698, and 783 cycles per second, according to the description

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<sup>1/</sup>Jacob Kwalwasser, Kwalwasser Music Talent Test, Mills Music, Inc., New York 19, 1953.

<sup>2/</sup>Jacob Kwalwasser, Kwalwasser Music Talent Test, Form B, 10-inch disc, 78 r.p.m., 10 minutes, Mills Music, Inc., New York 19, 1953.

of the test as presented in the manual.

Changes introduced in pitch, rhythm, loudness, and time are planned and measured, being controlled for the purpose of testing the child's ability to discriminate. This discrimination is an indication of the degree of musical talent which the child possesses.

The building of the test was based on the following facts: Pitch, 15 to 70 cents;<sup>1/</sup> Time, 15 per cent to 40 per cent; Loudness, 3 to 10 decibels;<sup>2/</sup> and in Rhythm, from more-to-less difficult changes in pattern.

On the recording, the pitches are produced with the aid of an electronic device. Another electronic instrument, a stroboscope, was used to check the steadiness of the pitch. Decibel meters and sound level instruments check the loudness patterns on the recording, while the time variable was controlled by the use of analytical tape. This is the process evolved as described in the manual for administering the test.

Terms explained.-- In explaining the terms, the following explanation may be given to distinguish differences:

1. Pitch, when the tones are raised or lowered
2. Time, when the tones move faster or slower
3. Loudness, when three tones are weaker or stronger than another group of three tones

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<sup>1/</sup>A cent represents 1/100 of a semitone.

<sup>2/</sup>A decibel is a unit measuring loudness, checked by a decibel meter.

4. Rhythm, when the pattern is changed from short-long-long to long-short-long or visa versa.

The beat never varies in the rhythm change; however, it does vary in the time change.

Kwalwasser says it is not possible to increase a child's potential; all we can do is develop the native capacity possessed by the child. This is the major reason for talent testing. The type of music instruction must be proportionate with the kind and amount of music talent the student possesses.

## 2. The Seashore Measure of Musical Talent

The Seashore Test.<sup>1/</sup> --The Seashore Measure tests in the area of pitch, loudness, time, timbre, rhythm, and tonal memory. This test is recorded on an album of three records, 78 r.p.m., and can be used at the fifth grade level. This test is considered to be a standard measure and is used in anthropology for comparison of natural capacities in different races and cultural levels; for analysis of inheritance of talent; and for auditory skills. This test may be used for music talent testing; it may also be used in acoustical research. When used in a favorable atmosphere, and with the proper motivation and wisdom in interpretation, it is a fully adequate measuring instrument.

The time factor rules out this test for large schools. One rendition of each of the six measures may be made with

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<sup>1/</sup>Carl E. Seashore, Don Lewis, and Joseph G. Saetvitt, Seashore Measure of Musical Talent, Revised 1939, R.C. A. Victor Company, Camden, New Jersey.

a time allotment of one hour or two half-hour periods. The two half-hour periods are especially necessary with children in elementary grades to avoid fatigue. If a large group of children are to be tested (i.e., over one thousand), it would be almost impossible to use this Seashore Measure because of the time involved in administering and correcting.

### 3. The Gillespie Test

The Gillespie Test<sup>1/</sup> measures pitch discrimination, rhythm distinction, and melodic-harmonic memory. The test is given with the use of piano, for melody, and drumsticks and woodblocks, for the rhythm distinction test.

The pitch discrimination is the child's ability to discern whether one note is higher or lower than a given note.

The rhythmic distinction is the child's ability to distinguish rhythm patterns as being the same or different from a given pattern.

The melodic-harmonic memory work shows the child's ability to recall whether there are changes in a tonal pattern and which note is changed.

The inadequacies of this test lie in the fact that it is administered by an adult playing the piano and involves the possibility of human error. The same is true in the use of the drumsticks and woodblocks because of the variance in

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<sup>1/</sup>D. J. Gillespie, Construction and Evaluation of a Test of Musical Talent for Grades IV, V, VI, Unpublished Master's Thesis, Boston University, 1953.



human rhythms. These inadequacies could be eliminated by placing the test on a tape or a record. This would guarantee that the test could be given exactly the same for each child and would increase the reliability and validity. With different teachers giving the test and the possibility of human error, the results would not be comparable.

#### 4. The Kwalwasser-Dykema Test

The Kwalwasser-Dykema Test<sup>1/</sup> measures several areas:

tonal-memory, quality discrimination, intensity discrimination, rhythm discrimination, pitch differences, melodic appreciation, pitch imagery, rhythm differences.

The value of these tests lies in obtaining an over-all picture of the musical ability of children, ten years of age and up. The ability to read musical notation is necessary in two of the tests, that of pitch and rhythm imagery.

The test with time and rhythm factors were cut on a Duo-Art piano-roll (i.e., player piano). The test also appears on records, in its entirety.

#### 5. Excerpts from Other Texts

##### Pertinent to Testing on Elementary Level

Dr. Russel N. Squire, in his discussion<sup>2/</sup> of music testing, tells us the value of a test depends upon several factors:

<sup>1/</sup>Jacob Kwalwasser and Peter Dykema, K. D. Music Test, Revised 1940, Carl Fischer, Inc., New York.

<sup>2/</sup>Russel N. Squire, Introduction to Music Education, Ronald Press Company, New York, 1951, 185 pp.

(1) validity; (2) reliability; (3) ease of administering test; (4) expense; (5) group or individual testing; (6) findings valid. By validity, Dr. Squire means, "Does it test what it sets out to test?"

In the Encyclopedia of Educational Research,<sup>1/</sup> Mursell claims that musical behavior, as in sight-singing, playing the piano, and taking courses in theory and applied music, should be the criterion. Seashore calls this the "Omnibus Theory" and rejects it in favor of a "Theory of Specifics," stating the validity of music talent testing depends upon the isolation of the factors selected for measurements and not upon external criteria.

Remmers<sup>2/</sup> says of measuring special abilities, the method of making the breakdown through the factor analysis in culturally determined fields of endeavor is by a perceptual factor, or readiness to discover and identify perceptual details, and by a memory factor, requiring paired associations or the recognition of recently-learned material.

Mursell<sup>3/</sup> in his text, Music in the American Schools, says that, in the first place, one should understand that

<sup>1/</sup>Encyclopedia of Educational Research, "A Project of the American Education Research Association," Revised Edition, Macmillan Company, New York, 1950.

<sup>2/</sup>H. H. Remmers and N. L. Gage, Educational Measurement and Evaluation, Revised Edition, Harper and Brothers, New York, 1955, 650 pp.

<sup>3/</sup>James L. Mursell, Music in the American Schools, Silver Burdett, Morristown, New Jersey, 1943, 312 pp.

hearing--all the way from the most relaxed and uncritical enjoyment to the most precise and exacting analysis--depends upon mental control and mental training. It is a matter of proper discrimination and of proper noticing.

In his book, Principles and Programs, Mursell<sup>1/</sup> says that the use of instruments can contribute much that is valuable, even essential, to musical growth. The study of an instrument opens up a whole new range of musical possibilities for a child.

In Education for Musical Growth, Mursell<sup>2/</sup> asks the question whether or not it is the school's function to discover talent. Then he goes on to say that there is strong reason to believe that a vital sequence of general music actually fosters talent:

"It opens up the world of music to the pupil; it stimulates musical awareness and musical initiative; it encourages the student to make constructive musical choices and discoveries; it brings him varied experiences of success with music. The whole tendency is to create and strengthen the will to be musical."

Robert and Vernice Nye,<sup>3/</sup> in their book on elementary music, quote by special permission from "The Child's Bill

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<sup>1/</sup>James L. Mursell, Music Education, Principles and Programs, Silver Burdett Company, Morristown, New Jersey, 1956, 386 pp.

<sup>2/</sup>James L. Mursell, Education for Musical Growth, Ginn and Company, New York, 1948, 288 pp.

<sup>3/</sup>Robert Evans Nye and Vernice Trousdale Nye, Music in the Elementary Schools, Prentice-Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, 1957, p. 19.

of Rights in Music." Article V of this bill of rights states that every child shall be given the opportunity to have his interest and power in music explored and developed to the end that unusual talent may be utilized for the enrichment of the individual and society.

Paul Mathews<sup>1/</sup> tells us the facts and skills which children acquire as they go through school are only incidental: The real part of music is the emotional experience that it brings.

Therefore, through our testing program, talent is being found and explored, giving experiences and enrichment through music education.

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<sup>1/</sup>Paul Wentworth Mathews, You Can Teach Music, E. P. Dutton and Company, Inc., New York, 1953, 10:164.

CHAPTER III  
PLAN OF STUDY

Survey and findings.-- An elementary school instrumental survey was made for the purpose of finding out how other communities in the United States carried out their instrumental program, at the elementary level. Thirty-five questionnaires were sent out and twenty-three music teachers responded.

The questionnaire consisted of twenty questions pertinent to organization and technique of an instrumental program. The most pertinent question to this study was that of talent testing before instrument study. It was found that over 60 per cent of the schools used some phase of talent testing before placing children in instrumental study. The questionnaire and summary can be found in the Appendix, page 68.

Selection of test.-- As one music teacher was to do all the testing and correcting for over one thousand children in the fourth grades, it was inevitable the test should be short and yet cover the essential factors of rhythm, pitch, time, etc. Only one recorded test was found that tested pitch, rhythm, time, and loudness and yet could be given to a group of children in thirty minutes or less. That was the test of music talent prepared by Dr. Jacob Kwalwasser, Professor of Research in Music Education at Syracuse University. In

examination of this test by other members of the elementary music staff of the Warwick public schools, the opinion was that the test was too difficult for students of the fourth grade. An experimental program of testing was started at the sixth-grade level. This proved successful.

The class followed a normal curve of accomplishment in scoring and percentile, so the testing was pushed back to fifth-grade classes. They, too, were able to participate in the test, and scoring followed the normal curve. Then the testing was pushed one grade lower to the fourth grade. In the first group participating, one child achieved a rank of one hundred percentile. The rest of the class followed a normal curve, as the previous classes had scored. The assumption was that, if one class of the fourth grade could achieve scores comparable to the fifth and sixth grade, the test was not too difficult, and the testing program was started.

Organization and administration of test.-- Twenty-one of the twenty-seven schools in Warwick have fourth grades. A plan was drawn up whereby two schools could be tested in the morning and one in the afternoon, scheduling the schools by their location. The principals of the schools were contacted, and, in some instances, two classes could be tested at one time to advantage. In seven days, the testing

was completed.

Because of much illness in the system at the time, approximately three hundred students missed the test. In one instance, a whole classroom of pupils and the teacher were out of school with the prevailing grippe. Nevertheless, the testing proved satisfactory to all--principal, classroom teacher, and instrumental instructors.

In each classroom, the children were each supplied with a test sheet containing forty selections, twenty in each of two columns. Only four words were used throughout the test, and it was essential that all the children understand their meaning. Pitch, Rhythm, Time, Loudness were the four words which were placed on the board, with the meaning of each discussed at length.

As the term "Loudness" was described, the administrator showed the children loud and soft with the singing voice. Each word was explained carefully in this fashion; "Time" meaning fast and slow; "Pitch" meaning high or low; and "Rhythm" meaning a change in the pattern of the notes.

The first four questions on the test blank were done orally. Then, if more explanation was needed, the administrator reviewed the meaning of the words. At no time did the complete test require over thirty minutes. The recording time was ten minutes for both sides of the record. The first twenty, or the first column of the test, were found on one

side of the record; and the second column, from twenty-one to forty, on the second side of the record.

The tests were hand-corrected with a masque and scored on the test sheet with the percentile mark also. Each test was returned to the fourth grade teacher to be kept in the child's folder.

Results obtained.-- Master sheets or evaluation sheets were made from the test results by schools. This evaluation sheet includes the score and percentile of the test made by each child, the child's chronological age, and his intelligence quotient. These evaluation sheets were used as a basis for the statistical analysis.



## CHAPTER IV

### ANALYSIS OF DATA OF MUSIC TALENT TESTING

The evaluation of the total fourth grade school population.-- In each school tested, an evaluation sheet was made consisting of the child's name, his music test score, the percentile into which his score fell, his chronological age, and the intelligence quotient.

By grouping the evaluations from the twenty-one schools and summarizing the results, the following data have been compiled.

Table 1. Mean and Standard Deviation for the Chronological Age and Intelligence Quotient on the Total Population of Fourth Grade Students

Chronological Age			Intelligence Quotient		
Range	Mean	S.D.	Range	Mean	S.D.
8 yrs. 5 mo. to 11 yrs. 5 mo.	9 yrs. 4 mo.	7.17	78-134	105.15	9.75

The above table indicates that the Chronological Age range was from 8 years 5 months to 11 years 5 months, the Mean Age being 9 years 4 months and the Standard Deviation 7.17.

The above table also indicates that the Intelligence Quotients range from 78 to 134, the Mean I.Q. being 105.15 and the Standard Deviation 9.75.

At the time of the talent testing, the Intelligence Quotients and Chronological Ages for the total population were not available. Therefore, the reader will note that the Mean and Standard Deviation are figured on the basis of 1,023 children instead of the number used in reference to the talent testing.

Table 2. Mean and S.D. of Music Talent Test Scores for the Total Fourth Grade Population

Range	Mean	S.D.
16-36	26.21	1.16

The above table indicates that the scores on the talent test ranged from 16 or the third percentile to 36 or the 100th percentile. The Mean score 26.21 falls at the sixty second percentile indicating on the average a fair degree of talent is available within the total fourth grade population.

Table 3. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Apponaug School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	33	97
2	32	95
3	32	95
4	30	88
5	30	88
6	30	88
7	29	83
8	29	83
9	28	77
10	28	77
11	28	77
12	28	77
13	27	70
14	27	70
15	27	70
16	27	70
17	27	70
18	27	70
19	26	62
20	26	62
21	26	62
22	26	62
23	26	62
24	25	53
25	25	53
26	25	53
27	24	43
28	24	43
29	24	43
30	23	33
31	22	25
32	22	25
33	22	25
34	22	25
35	22	25
36	22	25
37	21	19

Range: 21-33                      Mean: 26.18                      S.D.: 2.82

The preceding table indicates that the scores on the talent test in the Apponaug School ranged from 21 or the nineteenth percentile to 33 or the ninety seventh percentile. The Mean score 26.18 falls at the sixty second percentile, indicating a fair degree of talent is available within the Apponaug School.

Table 4. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Conimicut School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	36	100
2	33	97
3	31	92
4	31	92
5	30	88
6	30	88
7	30	88
8	30	88
9	30	88
10	29	83
11	29	83
12	29	83
13	29	83
14	28	77
15	28	77
16	28	77
17	28	77
18	28	77
19	27	70
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21	27	70
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23	27	70
24	27	70
25	27	70
26	26	62
27	26	62
28	26	62
29	25	53
30	25	53
31	25	53
32	25	53
33	25	53
34	25	53
35	24	43
36	24	43
37	23	33
38	23	33
39	23	33
40	23	33
41	23	33
42	23	33

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Table 4. (concluded)

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 43	22	25
44	22	25
45	22	25
46	22	25
47	21	19
48	21	19
49	20	13
50	20	13
51	19	9
52	17	4
Range: 16-36	Mean: 25.40	S.D.: 3.90

In the previous table it is indicated that the scores on the talent test in the Conimicut School ranged from 16 to 36 or from the third percentile to the one hundredth percentile. The Mean score being 25.40 or the fifty third percentile indicates that the amount of talent available is less than average in the Conimicut School. The sixty second percentile is the average percentile for the total population.

Table 5. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Cowesett School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	36	100
2	32	95
3	31	92
4	30	88
5	29	83
6	29	83
7	28	77
8	28	77
9	28	77
10	28	77
11	27	70
12	27	70
13	26	62
14	26	62
15	26	62
16	26	62
17	25	53
18	24	43
19	21	19
Range: 19-36		
Mean: 25.52		
S.D.: 3.42		

The above table indicates the Mean score for Cowesett School is 25.52 or the fifty third percentile. The range of score is from 19 or the ninth percentile to 36 or the one hundredth percentile. The Standard Deviation or variability is 3.42.

Table 6. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--John Brown Francis School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	36	100
2	34	99
3	34	99
4	32	95
5	31	92
6	31	92
7	31	92
8	31	92
9	31	92
10	31	92
11	31	92
12	31	92
13	30	88
14	30	88
15	30	88
16	30	88
17	30	88
18	30	88
19	30	88
20	30	88
21	30	88
22	30	88
23	30	88
24	29	83
25	29	83
26	29	83
27	29	83
28	29	83
29	29	83
30	29	83
31	29	83
32	29	83
33	29	83
34	28	77
35	28	77
36	28	77
37	28	77
38	28	77
39	28	77
40	28	77
41	27	70
42	27	70

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Table 6. (concluded)

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 43	27	70
44	27	70
45	27	70
46	26	62
47	26	62
48	26	62
49	26	62
50	25	53
51	25	53
52	25	53
53	25	53
54	25	53
55	25	53
56	25	53
57	25	53
58	25	53
59	24	43
60	24	43
61	24	43
62	24	43
63	24	43
64	24	43
65	24	43
66	24	43
67	24	43
68	23	33
69	23	33
70	23	33
71	23	33
72	23	33
73	22	25
74	22	25
75	22	25
76	21	19
77	21	19
78	20	13
79	19	9
80	17	4
Range: 16-36	Mean: 27.02	S.D.: 2.37

The range of scores in the preceding table is from 16 or the third percentile to 36 or the one hundredth percentile. The Mean score is 27.02 or the seventieth percentile. The Standard Deviation is small. The John Brown Francis School shows a better than average degree of music talent available.

Table 7. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--John Greene School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	35	100
2	35	100
3	34	99
4	31	92
5	31	92
6	31	92
7	31	92
8	30	88
9	30	88
10	30	88
11	30	88
12	30	88
13	30	88
14	30	88
15	29	83
16	29	83
17	29	83
18	29	83
19	29	83
20	29	83
21	29	83
22	29	83
23	29	83
24	29	83
25	29	83
26	29	83
27	28	77
28	28	77
29	28	77
30	28	77
31	28	77
32	28	77
33	27	70
34	27	70
35	27	70
36	27	70
37	27	70
38	27	70
39	27	70
40	27	70
41	27	70

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Table 7. (continued)

Child		Score	Percentile
Number			
	42	27	70
	43	27	70
	44	27	70
	45	27	70
	46	27	70
	47	27	70
	48	27	70
	49	26	62
	50	26	62
	51	26	62
	52	26	62
	53	26	62
	54	26	62
	55	26	62
	56	26	62
	57	26	62
	58	26	62
	59	25	53
	60	25	53
	61	25	53
	62	25	53
	63	25	53
	64	25	53
	65	25	53
	66	25	53
	67	25	53
	68	25	53
	69	25	53
	70	25	53
	71	25	53
	72	24	43
	73	24	43
	74	24	43
	75	24	43
	76	24	43
	77	24	43
	78	24	43
	79	23	33
	80	23	33
	81	23	33
	82	23	33
	83	23	33
	84	23	33

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Table 7. (concluded)

Child		Score	Percentile
Number	85	22	25
	86	22	25
	87	22	25
	88	22	25
	89	22	25
	90	22	25
	91	22	25
	92	22	25
	93	21	19
	94	21	19
	95	21	19
	96	21	19
	97	21	19
	98	20	13
	99	19	9
	100	19	9
	101	19	9
	102	16	3
Range: 16-35		Mean: 26.08	S.D.: 1.50

The preceding table indicates the scores on the talent test range from 16 or the third percentile to 36 or the one hundredth percentile. The Mean score 26.08 is in the sixty second percentile showing a fair degree of talent available at the John Greene School. The measure of variability or Standard Deviation is 1.50.

Table 8. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Greenwood School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	33	97
2	32	95
3	32	95
4	32	95
5	31	92
6	31	92
7	31	92
8	31	92
9	30	88
10	30	88
11	30	88
12	30	88
13	30	88
14	29	83
15	29	83
16	29	83
17	29	83
18	29	83
19	29	83
20	28	77
21	28	77
22	27	70
23	27	70
24	27	70
25	27	70
26	27	70
27	26	62
28	26	62
29	26	62
30	26	62
31	26	62
32	25	53
33	25	53
34	25	53
35	24	43
36	24	43
37	24	43
38	23	33
39	22	25
40	22	25
41	21	19
42	21	19
43	20	13
44	20	13
45	19	9
Range: 19-33		Mean: 26.87
		S.D.: 2.55

The range of scores on the talent test is from 19 to 33 or the ninth percentile to the ninety seventh percentile. Table 8 indicates the Mean score is 26.87 or the sixty second percentile. This shows an average degree of talent available in the Greenwood School.

Table 9. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Hillsgrove School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	31	92
2	29	83
3	29	83
4	29	83
5	29	83
6	29	83
7	28	77
8	28	77
9	27	70
10	27	70
11	27	70
12	26	62
13	26	62
14	26	62
15	26	62
16	25	53
17	24	43
18	22	25
19	22	25
20	21	19
21	20	13
22	20	13
23	19	9
24	17	4
25	16	3
Range: 16-31		
Mean: 24.96		
S.D.: 3.83		

The above table indicates the range of scores in the music talent test is 16 or the third percentile to 31 or the ninety second percentile. The Mean score is 24.96 or the forty third percentile which is below the average amount of music talent available at the Hillsgrove School.



Table 10. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Randall Holden School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	34	99
2	33	97
3	33	97
4	31	92
5	31	92
6	30	88
7	29	83
8	29	83
9	29	83
10	28	77
11	28	77
12	28	77
13	28	77
14	27	70
15	27	70
16	26	62
17	26	62
18	26	62
19	26	62
20	26	62
21	26	62
22	26	62
23	25	53
24	25	53
25	25	53
26	25	53
27	25	53
28	25	53
29	25	53
30	24	43
31	24	43
32	24	43
33	24	43
34	24	43
35	24	43
36	24	43
37	24	43
38	24	43
39	24	43
40	23	33
41	23	33
42	23	33

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Table 10. (concluded)

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 43	22	25
44	21	19
45	21	19
46	20	13
47	20	13
48	20	13
49	17	4
50	17	4
Range: 17-34	Mean: 25.44	S.D.: 2.19

The preceding table indicates the talent test scores at the Randall Holden School range from 17 or the fourth percentile to 34 or the ninety ninth percentile. The Mean score is 25.44 or the fifty third percentile, indicating that less than the average degree of musical talent is available at the Randall Holden School.

Table 11. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Ezekiel Holliman School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	34	99
2	34	99
3	33	97
4	32	95
5	31	92
6	31	92
7	31	92
8	31	92
9	31	92
10	30	88
11	30	88
12	30	88
13	30	88
14	30	88
15	29	83
16	29	83
17	29	83
18	29	83
19	29	83
20	29	83
21	29	83
22	29	83
23	29	83
24	29	83
25	28	77
26	28	77
27	28	77
28	28	77
29	28	77
30	28	77
31	28	77
32	28	77
33	28	77
34	28	77
35	28	77
36	27	70
37	27	70
38	27	70
39	27	70
40	27	70
41	27	70
42	27	70
43	27	70
44	27	70

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Table 11. (concluded)

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 45	27	70
46	27	70
47	26	62
48	26	62
49	26	62
50	26	62
51	26	62
52	26	62
53	26	62
54	26	62
55	26	62
56	26	62
57	25	53
58	25	53
59	25	53
60	25	53
61	25	53
62	25	53
63	25	53
64	24	43
65	24	43
66	24	43
67	24	43
68	24	43
69	23	33
70	23	33
71	23	33
72	23	33
73	22	25
74	22	25
75	22	25
76	21	19
77	21	19
78	21	19
79	21	19
80	20	13
Range: 17-34	Mean: 26.73	S.D.: 3.09

The preceding table indicates the Mean score for the Ezekiel Holliman School is 26.73 or the sixty second percentile, while the range of scores is from 17 or the fourth percentile to 34 or the ninety ninth percentile. This school has a fair degree of talent available.

Table 12. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Lakewood School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	31	92
2	31	92
3	30	88
4	30	88
5	30	88
6	29	83
7	29	83
8	28	77
9	27	70
10	27	70
11	26	62
12	26	62
13	26	62
14	26	62
15	25	53
16	25	53
17	25	53
18	24	43
19	24	43
20	23	33
21	23	33
22	23	33
23	23	33
24	22	25

Range: 17-31                      Mean: 26.01                      S.D.: 1.89

The above table indicates the scores on the talent test range from 17 or the fourth percentile to 31 or the ninety second percentile. The Mean score falls at the 26.01 or the sixty second percentile, indicating a fair degree of talent is available at the Lakewood School.

Table 13. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Lippitt School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	34	99
2	32	95
3	32	95
4	32	95
5	32	95
6	31	92
7	31	92
8	30	88
9	30	88
10	30	88
11	30	88
12	29	83
13	29	83
14	29	83
15	29	83
16	28	77
17	28	77
18	28	77
19	28	77
20	28	77
21	28	77
22	28	77
23	28	77
24	28	77
25	28	77
26	27	70
27	27	70
28	27	70
29	27	70
30	27	70
31	27	70
32	27	70
33	27	70
34	26	62
35	26	62
36	26	62
37	26	62
38	26	62
39	26	62
40	26	62
41	26	62
42	26	62
43	26	62

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Table 13. (concluded)

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 44	25	53
45	25	53
46	25	53
47	25	53
48	25	53
49	25	53
50	25	53
51	25	53
52	25	53
53	25	53
54	25	53
55	25	53
56	25	53
57	25	53
58	24	43
59	24	43
60	23	33
61	23	33
62	23	33
63	23	33
64	22	25
65	22	25
66	22	25
67	22	25
68	21	19
69	21	19
70	19	9
71	18	5
Range: 17-34	Mean: 26.31	S.D.: 2.31

The preceding table indicates the scores on the talent test at the Lippitt School range from 17 to 34 or from the fourth percentile to the ninety ninth percentile. The Mean score of 26.31 falls in the sixty second percentile. This shows a fair degree of talent available.



Table 14. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Natick School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	31	92
2	31	92
3	31	92
4	31	92
5	30	88
6	29	83
7	29	83
8	29	83
9	28	77
10	28	77
11	27	70
12	27	70
13	27	70
14	27	70
15	27	70
16	27	70
17	27	70
18	26	62
19	26	62
20	26	62
21	26	62
22	26	62
23	26	62
24	26	62
25	25	53
26	25	53
27	25	53
28	24	43
29	24	43
30	24	43
31	23	33
32	23	33
33	22	25
34	22	25
35	22	25
36	22	25
37	21	19
38	20	13
39	20	13
Range: 20-31	Mean: 25.92	S.D.: 3.0

Talent test scores in Natick School range from 20 to 31 or the thirteenth percentile to the ninety second percentile. The Mean score is 25.92 or the fifty third percentile. This indicates there is less than average degree of talent available within the Natick School.

Table 15. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Nausauket School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	31	92
2	30	88
3	30	88
4	29	83
5	29	83
6	29	83
7	28	77
8	28	77
9	28	77
10	28	77
11	28	77
12	28	77
13	28	77
14	28	77
15	27	70
16	27	70
17	26	62
18	26	62
19	26	62
20	26	62
21	26	62
22	25	53
23	25	53
24	25	53
25	24	43
26	24	43
27	24	43
28	24	43
29	23	33
30	21	19
31	21	19

Range: 21-31                      Mean: 26.43                      S.D.: 2.31

The range of talent test scores, in the above table, is from 21 or the nineteenth percentile to 31 or the ninety second percentile. The Mean score of 26.43 or the sixty second percentile indicates a fair degree of talent available in the Nausauket School.

Table 16. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Norwood School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	30	88
2	30	88
3	28	77
4	28	77
5	27	70
6	27	70
7	27	70
8	27	70
9	26	62
10	26	62
11	25	53
12	25	53
13	25	53
14	24	43
15	24	43
16	24	43
17	24	43
18	23	33
19	23	33
20	23	33
21	23	33
22	22	25
23	21	19
24	20	13
25	17	4

Range: 16-30                      Mean: 24.74                      S.D.: 2.85

The above table indicates the talent test score in the Norwood School has a range of 16 or the third percentile to 30 or the eighty eighth percentile. The Mean score is 24.74 or the forty third percentile, which is less than the average degree of talent available in the total population of the Norwood fourth grade.

Table 17. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Oakland Beach School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	32	95
2	31	92
3	29	83
4	29	83
5	29	83
6	29	83
7	29	83
8	29	83
9	28	77
10	28	77
11	28	77
12	28	77
13	28	77
14	28	77
15	28	77
16	28	77
17	28	77
18	27	70
19	27	70
20	27	70
21	27	70
22	27	70
23	27	70
24	27	70
25	27	70
26	27	70
27	27	70
28	26	62
29	26	62
30	26	62
31	26	62
32	26	62
33	26	62
34	26	62
35	26	62
36	26	62
37	26	62
38	26	62
39	26	62
40	25	53
41	25	53
42	25	53

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Table 17. (concluded)

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 43	24	43
44	24	43
45	24	43
46	24	43
47	24	43
48	24	43
49	24	43
50	24	43
51	24	43
52	24	43
53	24	43
54	24	43
55	23	33
56	23	33
57	23	33
58	23	33
59	23	33
60	23	33
61	22	25
62	22	25
63	21	19
64	21	19
65	21	19
66	21	19
67	21	19
68	21	19
69	21	19
70	21	19
71	21	19
72	20	13
73	17	4
74	17	4
75	16	3
76	16	3
Range: 16-32	Mean: 25.15	S.D.: 2.91

The Oakland Beach School has a range of 16 or the third percentile to 32 or the ninety fifth percentile in the talent test scores. The Mean score of 25.15 or the fifty third percentile indicates less than the average degree of talent is

available in this school.

Table 18. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Pontiac School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	32	95
2	31	92
3	31	92
4	30	88
5	29	83
6	29	83
7	29	83
8	29	83
9	28	77
10	28	77
11	27	70
12	27	70
13	26	62
14	26	62
15	26	62
16	26	62
17	26	62
18	26	62
19	25	53
20	25	53
21	25	53
22	25	53
23	25	53
24	24	43
25	23	33
26	23	33
27	23	33
28	22	25
29	21	19
30	20	13
31	18	5

Range: 18-32                      Mean: 26.08                      S.D.: 3.12

The above table indicates the range of talent test scores in the Pontiac School is from 18 or the fifth percentile to 32 or the ninety fifth percentile. The Mean score of 26.08 or the sixty second percentile shows a fair degree of talent available within the population of this school.



Table 19. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Potowomut School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	32	95
2	29	83
3	28	77
4	27	70
5	27	70
6	27	70
7	27	70
8	27	70
9	27	70
10	27	70
11	26	62
12	26	62
13	26	62
14	26	62
15	25	53
16	24	43
17	24	43
18	24	43
19	23	33
20	22	25
Range: 22-32		
Mean: 26.55		
S.D.: 2.19		

The Potowomut School has a range of 22 to 32 in talent test scores or the twenty fifth percentile to the ninety fifth percentile. The Mean score of 26.55 indicates an average degree of talent available.

Table 20. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Christopher Rhodes School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	34	99
2	34	99
3	34	99
4	33	97
5	33	97
6	32	95
7	31	92
8	31	92
9	31	92
10	31	92
11	30	88
12	30	88
13	30	88
14	30	88
15	30	88
16	29	83
17	29	83
18	29	83
19	29	83
20	29	83
21	29	83
22	29	83
23	29	83
24	28	77
25	28	77
26	28	77
27	28	77
28	27	70
29	27	70
30	27	70
31	27	70
32	27	70
33	27	70
34	27	70
35	27	70
36	26	62
37	26	62
38	26	62
39	26	62
40	26	62
41	26	62
42	26	62

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Table 20. (concluded)

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 43	26	62
44	26	62
45	25	53
46	25	53
47	25	53
48	25	53
49	25	53
50	25	53
51	25	53
52	25	53
53	25	53
54	25	53
55	25	53
56	24	43
57	24	43
58	24	43
59	24	43
60	24	43
61	23	33
62	23	33
63	23	33
64	22	25
65	22	25
66	22	25
67	21	19
68	21	19
69	21	19
70	21	19
71	20	13
72	20	13
73	19	9
Range: 19-34	Mean: 26.55	S.D.: 1.11

The preceding table shows the range of scores in the talent test is from 19 or the ninth percentile to 34 or the ninety ninth percentile. The Mean score of 26.55 indicates a fair degree of talent is available in the Christopher Rhodes School.

The measure of variability is narrow, the Standard Deviation being 1.11.

Table 21. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Warren A. Sherman School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	32	95
2	32	95
3	31	92
4	31	92
5	30	88
6	30	88
7	30	88
8	30	88
9	29	83
10	29	83
11	29	83
12	28	77
13	28	77
14	28	77
15	28	77
16	28	77
17	28	77
18	28	77
19	28	77
20	28	77
21	28	77
22	28	77
23	27	70
24	27	70
25	27	70
26	27	70
27	27	70
28	27	70
29	27	70
30	26	62
31	26	62
32	26	62
33	26	62
34	26	62
35	26	62
36	26	62
37	26	62
38	26	62
39	26	62
40	26	62
41	26	62
42	26	62

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Table 21. (concluded)

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 43	25	53
44	25	53
45	25	53
46	25	53
47	24	43
48	24	43
49	24	43
50	24	43
51	24	43
52	24	43
53	24	43
54	24	43
55	23	33
56	23	33
57	23	33
58	23	33
59	23	33
60	23	33
61	23	33
62	22	25
63	22	25
64	22	25
65	21	19
66	21	19
67	21	19
68	retest	retest
69	19	9
70	19	9
71	17	4
Range: 17-32	Mean: 25.69	S.D.: 2.55

The preceding table indicates the range of talent test score in the Warren A. Sherman School is 17 or the fourth percentile to 32 or the ninety fifth percentile. The Mean score is 25.69 or the fifty third percentile. This shows the talent available in this school is less than average.

Table 22. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--John Wickes School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	34	99
2	34	99
3	33	97
4	32	95
5	32	95
6	32	95
7	32	95
8	31	92
9	31	92
10	31	92
11	31	92
12	31	92
13	30	88
14	30	88
15	30	88
16	30	88
17	30	88
18	30	88
19	30	88
20	30	88
21	30	88
22	29	83
23	29	83
24	29	83
25	29	83
26	29	83
27	29	83
28	28	77
29	28	77
30	28	77
31	28	77
32	28	77
33	28	77
34	28	77
35	28	77
36	27	70
37	27	70
38	27	70
39	27	70
40	27	70
41	27	70
42	27	70

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Table 22. (continued)

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 43	27	70
44	27	70
45	27	70
46	27	70
47	27	70
48	27	70
49	27	70
50	27	70
51	27	70
52	27	70
53	27	70
54	27	70
55	27	70
56	26	62
57	26	62
58	26	62
59	26	62
60	26	62
61	26	62
62	26	62
63	26	62
64	26	62
65	26	62
66	26	62
67	25	53
68	25	53
69	25	53
70	25	53
71	25	53
72	25	53
73	25	53
74	25	53
75	25	53
76	25	53
77	25	53
78	25	53
79	24	43
80	24	43
81	24	43
82	24	43
83	24	43
84	23	33
85	23	33
86	23	33
87	22	25

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Table 22. (concluded)

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 88	22	25
89	22	25
90	22	25
91	22	25
92	21	19
93	21	19
94	21	19
95	21	19
96	20	13
97	19	9
98	17	4
Range: 17-34	Mean: 27.03	S.D.: 2.97

The John Wickes School talent test scores range from 17 or the fourth percentile to 34 or the ninety ninth percentile. The Mean score of 27.03 or the seventieth percentile indicates better than average degree of music talent available in this school.

Table 23. Percentile, Distribution, Mean, and S.D. for Talent Test Scores--Elwood T. Wyman School

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 1	35	100
2	33	97
3	33	97
4	32	95
5	32	95
6	32	95
7	31	92
8	31	92
9	30	88
10	30	88
11	30	88
12	30	88
13	30	88
14	30	88
15	29	83
16	29	83
17	29	83
18	29	83
19	29	83
20	28	77
21	28	77
22	28	77
23	28	77
24	28	77
25	28	77
26	28	77
27	28	77
28	27	70
29	27	70
30	27	70
31	27	70
32	27	70
33	27	70
34	27	70
35	27	70
36	27	70
37	27	70
38	27	70
39	26	62
40	26	62
41	26	62
42	26	62

(concluded on next page)

Table 23. (concluded)

Child	Score	Percentile
Number 43	26	62
44	26	62
45	26	62
46	25	53
47	25	53
48	25	53
49	25	53
50	25	53
51	25	53
52	25	53
53	25	53
54	24	43
55	24	43
56	24	43
57	23	33
58	23	33
59	23	33
60	23	33
61	23	33
62	23	33
63	22	25
64	22	25
65	22	25
66	22	25
67	21	19
68	20	13
69	20	13
70	20	13
71	20	13
72	19	9
73	18	5
Range: 18-35	Mean: 27.68	S.D.: 1.68

The preceding table indicates the talent test scores for the Elwood T. Wyman School range from 18 or the fifth percentile to 35 or the one hundredth percentile. The Mean score of 27.68 or the seventieth percentile shows better than average music

talent is available in this school. The Standard Deviation of 1.16 indicates a narrow spread of variability.

## CHAPTER V

### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Purpose of study.-- It was the purpose of this study to administer a test of musical talent to eleven hundred and twelve children, the total fourth grade population of the Warwick public schools, in order to have an objective measure by which it could be determined whether a child would profit by instrumental study.

An analysis of the data revealed the following:

1. The Mean score for the total population was 26.21, a score which falls at the sixty second percentile.
2. Six hundred and twenty nine of the eleven hundred and twelve children had scores of twenty six or better. A total of fifty six per cent of the fourth grade population was eligible for instrumental study.
3. The writer sent an inquiry form to thirty five towns and cities to determine whether talent tests were used. Of the twenty three responses, sixty five per cent were using some objective measure of musical aptitude.
4. Twenty one schools were tested in Warwick. No school had a Mean score lower than 24.74 or higher than 27.68.
5. The music department sent letters to the six hundred

and twenty nine parents. Some response has been noted, but more is expected to come in during next year.

Suggestions for further research.--

1. Make a comparison of proficiency in playing an instrument between children who show aptitude and children who do not.

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APPENDIX

WARWICK SCHOOL DEPARTMENT  
WARWICK, RHODE ISLANDELEMENTARY INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC SURVEY  
1957-58

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OR TOWN \_\_\_\_\_

1. Elementary school population \_\_\_\_\_

2. How many elementary children on instruments? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What grades do they include? \_\_\_\_\_

4. How many instrumental teachers working in the  
elementary school? \_\_\_\_\_

5. What is the salary schedule for instrumental teachers?

Travel Expenses?

6. What instruments are taught in your elementary school?

7. What is the average size of your classes? \_\_\_\_\_

8. How many periods a week do you meet the same children? \_\_\_\_\_

9. What is the length of each period? \_\_\_\_\_

10. Are children talent tested before entering the  
instrumental classes? \_\_\_\_\_11. What instruments used in elementary school classes are  
owned by the school department? \_\_\_\_\_

12. Do children buy their instruments through the school department? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Do elementary instrumental children give concerts? \_\_\_\_\_
14. Do elementary instrumental children participate in festivals? \_\_\_\_\_
15. Is admission charged at these concerts? \_\_\_\_\_
16. Do you have an elementary orchestra or band? \_\_\_\_\_
17. What materials do you use in your beginning classes, orchestra class, band class in elementary school? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
18. Is the instrumental teaching done in school time, or after school? \_\_\_\_\_
19. Is any instrumental work done on Saturdays with elementary children? \_\_\_\_\_
20. Are your instrumental teachers professional instrumentalists or music teachers with a general music background? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

This survey is being taken in order to improve our elementary instrumental program in Warwick. We would appreciate your answers to any or all of the above questions.

Wilma I. Nagel  
Elementary Supervisor

Elementary Instrumental  
Music Survey 1957-58

Purpose: To find out how  
other areas carry on their  
instrumental music program  
in Elem. School.

	Austin, Texas	Burlington, Vermont	Casper, Wyoming
1. Elementary School Population	16000	2665	9840
2. Number of Elementary Children on Instruments	800	300	
3. Grades Included	6th	4-6	4-6
4. Inst. Teachers in Elem. School	6	1 f.t. 2 p.t.	
5. Salary Sched. - Travel Expenses Inst.	\$300 + \$ 20 p.mth.		\$200 per yr
6. Instruments Taught	all	all	all but d.reeds
7. Average Size of Classes	String 10 Band 25	10	6-12
8. Periods Per Week	Every other day	1	1
9. Length of Each Period	40	45	String Other
10. Are Children Talent Tested Before Study	yes	no	yes
11. School Owned Instruments	violins on rental basis	large & Exp.inst.	large inst.
12. Instruments Purchased through School Dept. by Children	no	no	no
13. Do Children Give Concerts	PTA Prog.	yes	yes
14. Participate in Festivals	limited amount	no	no
15. Is Admission Charged at Concerts	not often	yes	no
16. Do You Have an Elem. Orchestra Do You Have an Elem. Band		orch. in each school	orch. no
17. Inst. Teaching in School Time * (ST) After School (AS)	S.T.	S.T.	S.T.
18. Instrumental Work on Saturdays *	no	no	no
19. Inst. Teachers Prof. Musicians (PM) or General Music Back- ground, (GMB)	P.M.	P.M.	both
20. Materials Used - See Original Survey Sheets	list		list

Charlestown, W. Va.	Concord, Mass.	Denver, Colorado	Flint, Michigan	Ft. Sumner, N. Mexico	Hillsdale, Mich.	Las Vegas, Nevada	Newborn, Mass.
2312	1300	21528	23933	550	1059	17298	9774
525	100	3326	1500	119	105	1050	1000
1-7	4-6	4-6	4,5,6	4,5,6	5-6	4-8	K-6
3	1	17	8	1	2	14	3 FT 16 PT
		basis of bus fare	reg. .07 per mile	.06 per mile	\$600 diff.	travel \$15 month	\$10-\$20 per mo
all but G. reeds	all	all	Orch.	band inst.	all except d. reeds	brass & St.	all Orch.
25	1-7	5-60	12-15	24	6-12	40	
2	1	2	*2	3	3-25 min.	ave. daily	
40	15-30	30	30	30	25	45	40
yes	yes	50% tested	yes	pre-band inst. class	yes	Fluto- phone some	yes
large list.	few		some of each yes	50%	bass drum	large inst.	many strings some W.
no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no
yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	twice a year	yes	yes
no	no		yes	no	no	yes	no
some- time	no	no	no	some- time	no	PTA yes	no
yes	yes	yes	yes		class	All City Orch.	orch. in each school
yes	yes	yes	yes	Band		Orch. 20 bands	
S.T.	S.T.	S.T.	S.T.	S.T.	S.T.	S.T.	S.T.
yes	no		All City Orch.	no	no	All City Orch.	no
P.M.	P.M.	both	P.M.	both	P.M.	B.A. & Cert.	GMB
list		Library List	Library	list	list	Library	list

Portland, Oregon	Providence, Rhode Island	Quincy, Massachusetts	Russell, Kansas	Rutland, Vermont	Richmond, Virginia	St. Paul, Minn.	Tulsa, Oklahoma
20000	15000	8700	1197	1265	30000	43000	31000
4000	600	287	185	132	900	800	1400
5-8	3A-6	5-6	string 4-8 Band 6-8	4-6	4-6	4-8	5-6 str 6 -
34	7	6	2	2	14	8	
g.sal. 07 per mile	Blue Cross + \$6.00 mo.		\$3600- 6000 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile	\$.08 per mi.	\$.075 per mi.	\$.07 per mi.	\$.07 per mi.
Str.WW Brass	3A Violin 4-6 Orch.		all orch.	all orch.	all	all	string WW brass
7-15	4-10	5 S.C. rule	8-15	Str. 8 others 10-12	12	15-18	10
2	1	1	3	Str. 2 Other 1	2,3,5	1	
30-40	40-50	30	40	45-60	25-45	30	40 m
some	no	no	no	yes for strings	yes	some	ye
1.00 12.Rent	10 Inst.	no	large inst.	large inst.	some of each	few	some violin cell
no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes
no	yes	yes	sometimes yes	sometime	no	no	no
yes	yes	yes	yes	string orch.	in each school	yes	no
no	yes	yes	yes	Band		yes	no
S.T.	S.T.	A.S.	S.T.	S.T.		S.T.	S.T.
City Orch.	no	if needed	no	no	no	no	no
both	PM	PM	GMB	GMB	PM	PM	GMB
Library	list	list	list	list		list	list



Watertown, So. Dakota	Westerly, Rhode Island	Westwood, Massachusetts	Winchester, Massachusetts	Warwick, Rhode Island	
800	1400	1200	3000	8000	
100	100	140	400	500	
5-6	4-6	4-6	4-6	4,5,6	
1	2	1	2	3	
		\$100. extra	\$100. extra	Base	
all	Band Inst.	all	all	orch.	
1	8	7	8-16		
1	1	1	1	2	
10-20	25-30	30	1 hr.	30	
no	yes	no	yes	no	
no	only drums	some of each	large inst.	27 viola 3 cello	
no	no	yes	no	no	
no	yes	yes	yes	yes	
no	yes	no	yes	yes	
no	no † usually	no	yes	no	
no	Band	yes yes	yes yes	yes yes	
S.T.	S.T.	S.T.	S.T.	S.T.	
NO	yes	no	yes	no	
both Masters	GMB	PM	GMB	both	
list	list	list	list		

# KWALWASSER MUSIC TALENT TEST

## FORM B

SCORE
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Name.....School.....Age.....Grade.....

Musical Training.....Length of Time Studied.....

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 1 Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/>    | 21 Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Time <input type="checkbox"/>      |
| 2 Loudness <input type="checkbox"/> Time <input type="checkbox"/>   | 22 Time <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>      |
| 3 Loudness <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>  | 23 Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Time <input type="checkbox"/>      |
| 4 Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/>    | 24 Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/>    |
| 5 Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>    | 25 Time <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>      |
| 6 Time <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>      | 26 Loudness <input type="checkbox"/> Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7 Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Time <input type="checkbox"/>      | 27 Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Time <input type="checkbox"/>      |
| 8 Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>    | 28 Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>    |
| 9 Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Loudness <input type="checkbox"/>  | 29 Loudness <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>  |
| 10 Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>   | 30 Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>    |
| 11 Time <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>     | 31 Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/>    |
| 12 Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>   | 32 Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Time <input type="checkbox"/>      |
| 13 Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/>   | 33 Loudness <input type="checkbox"/> Time <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| 14 Time <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>     | 34 Loudness <input type="checkbox"/> Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 15 Loudness <input type="checkbox"/> Time <input type="checkbox"/>  | 35 Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>    |
| 16 Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>   | 36 Loudness <input type="checkbox"/> Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 17 Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/>   | 37 Time <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>      |
| 18 Time <input type="checkbox"/> Loudness <input type="checkbox"/>  | 38 Time <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>      |
| 19 Loudness <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> | 39 Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>    |
| 20 Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> Pitch <input type="checkbox"/>   | 40 Loudness <input type="checkbox"/> Rhythm <input type="checkbox"/> |

## WARWICK SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

MUSIC APTITUDE TEST Evaluation Sheet				
Teacher:	Score	Perce.	C.A.	I.Q.
School:				
1				
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## SAMPLE LETTER

Dear Parent:

We wish to call your attention to the instrumental music classes being offered at the Warwick Elementary Schools. This program is a function of the Warwick Public Schools, and all lessons are free. Classes are offered in all legitimate orchestra instruments.

This letter is sent to you to inform you that your child made an \_\_\_\_\_ rating in The Music Talent Test which was given to all Warwick fourth grade pupils. The test was given for the purpose of finding children with average or better than average musical ability. They are rated from this point: good, excellent, or superior.

We can predict that if your child shows an interest in the study of a musical instrument and he is physically adapted to the instrument that he will be a successful player, the degree of success depending on the time the child can give to practice of the instrument.

We invite your cooperation in filling out and returning the enclosed blank to the classroom teacher.

In closing may we remind you that these values are inherent in the type of activity we are offering your child:

Music builds character  
Music develops wholesome companionship  
Music creates popularity  
Music promotes discipline

MUSIC IS FUN.

Sincerely yours,

Instrumental Music Instructor

Principal

## WARWICK SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument Interest \_\_\_\_\_

Owns Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

Wishes to Purchase Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

Wishes to Rent Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

Desires an appointment to discuss matter before purchase \_\_\_\_\_

Time desired \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

To explain more fully about the renting and buying of musical instruments, as well as to answer questions concerning the instrumental program, the music teacher will be at:

\_\_\_\_\_ school

\_\_\_\_\_

at \_\_\_\_\_

Mario Pera  
Louis Cuddy  
Donald Downs  
Instrumental Music Teachers

Dear Parent:

The Warwick School Department will loan a \_\_\_\_\_ to your child for use during the (kind of instrument) school year and grants the privilege of taking the instrument home for the purpose of practicing.

It is loaned on the condition that you will be responsible for loss or damage other than reasonable wear and tear.

The instrument may be recalled by the instructor before the end of the school year if there is just reason.

If you are willing to assume the responsibility as listed above, please sign below and return this letter to the school.

Warwick School Department

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pupil's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
School

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature