**Requirements for Beginners and Intermediate to receive an award**  
  
Any student that completes the following tasks will be recognized at our final end of the year concert/awards ceremony.   
  
**Beginning/Intermediate** **Orchestra**– Richardson Orchestra Cub Award  
  
**Good behavior**- the student must not have had any discipline actions throughout the entire school year. Good behavior is expected not only in the orchestra room, but in concert situations, field trips, any function where the student represents N.R.M.S. Students that are placed in I.S.S. or alternative school for any reason have failed to complete this task.   
  
**Solo/Ensemble** – the student must perform a solo at the Solo and Ensemble competition, which is held in February. The rating the student receives is inconsequential to their completing this task.  
  
**Audience Participation** –the student must attend **three** concerts over the school year in which they are ***NOT***a performer. This means that if all orchestras are performing a joint concert, the student does not receive credit for this, because they are a performer. Students can attend concerts that are performed by the school choir or band, or any concert held at another school.  ***In order to receive credit the student must turn in a one page paper with the following information: the group that is performing, title of pieces being performed and must write two to three sentences on each concert selection.*** We are open to suggestions for concerts, be creative.  
  
**Contest Orchestra** – the student must be selected into the end of year Intermediate Contest group. This is the group that we will take to the end of year competitions and field trip. Students must audition for this group. Selection is not only based on level of proficiency on instrument but on behavior as well.  
  
**Attendance** – the student attends all performances given by the Intermediate Orchestra and any rehearsals that are scheduled outside of the normal school day.  
  
**Eligibility**– the student’s grades never drop below a 70 in any of their classes.  
  
**Citizenship** -the student can meet this requirement simply by doing something nice or helpful for another student or a teacher, without expecting an immediate reward. This can include helping to clean the room, helping to set up or tear down for a concert or anything along those lines.