



Alaska Association of Student Governments

Resolution #4

A Resolution to Split the High Strings Category in the Alaska State Solo & Ensemble Festival to Violin and Viola

Submitted by Hutchison High School Student Council

Submitted: April 25, 2018

Be it resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments:

1. **Whereas**, as it presently stands, the “high strings” instrument category is composed of both violins and violas;
2. **Whereas**, due to the popularity of the instrument, and the greater availability for instructors, violin players typically outperform viola players in the high string category;
3. **Whereas**, the intense competition that viola players face at Solo & Ensemble discourages them from entering viola-based events;
4. **Whereas**, in recent years, the “low strings” category has been split into separate categories for cello and string bass;
5. **Whereas**, the separation of low strings into two categories has led to increased representation of Alaska’s talented string bass players, who were previously overshadowed by cello players due to the greater popularity of cellos as instruments;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Alaska Association of Student Governments supports that the High Strings instrument category in the Alaska State Solo & Ensemble Festival is separated into Violin and Viola categories.

Action statement: this resolution, if passed by the General Assembly of AASG, will be sent to the following:

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Works Cited

1. "Solo & Ensemble Festival." ASAA 2017-18 Music Handbook, p. 85.

Passed by the Alaska Association of Student Governments Spring 2018 General Assembly



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