

RWS BEGINNING STRINGS SERIES

Grade: 1

Conductor Score: RWS-2481-01

Cyber Santa

Traditional

Arranged by
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INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor Score	1
Violin 1	15
Violin 2	15
Violin 3 (Viola)	3
Viola	6
Cello	5
Double Bass	5
Percussion (Optional): Sleigh Bells, Claves, Wind Chimes, Ratchet	2
Piano (Optional)	1

PROGRAM NOTE

Cyber Santa takes a glimpse into the workshop of *Jolly Old St. Nicholas* in the year 3000. The traditional toy-making tasks have undergone a major technological upgrade for the holidays. Robotic automation, 3D printing, and a series of apps now assist the elves in preparing for the big night on December 24th. Welcome to the holidays in the digital age.

NOTES TO CONDUCTOR

This arrangement is energetic and bright throughout. The successful performance of accents will add to the forward momentum of the performance, particularly in the percussion section. The strings should strive to play all notes for full value unless otherwise marked.

I hope your students and audience members find this arrangement a fun and unique experience for the holidays!

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ABOUT THE ARRANGER

Bryce Newton is a composer, arranger, and music educator in Dayton, Ohio. He currently serves on the faculty of the Kettering City Schools as the District Coordinator of Music, where he supervises the K-12 music program.

Previously, Bryce served as a band director for 18 years, leading concert, marching, and jazz ensembles.

Mr. Newton's compositions have been performed across the globe, including at the Midwest International Band & Orchestra convention in Chicago, as well as the Thailand International Band & Orchestra Festival. He was named a composer of a "top 100" new work for wind band in 2020 by *Bandworld Magazine*.

Most recently, two of his works for band and orchestra were featured as "Top Music Education Products" for 2023 by *School Band & Orchestra Magazine*. Mr. Newton's compositions are on state festival lists in Texas, Indiana, and his home state of Ohio. His music for concert and jazz ensembles is published with the RWS Music Company and the C.L. Barnhouse Company.

Bryce received a Bachelor of Music in Music Education from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, where he studied music composition and arranging with composer David Sh

