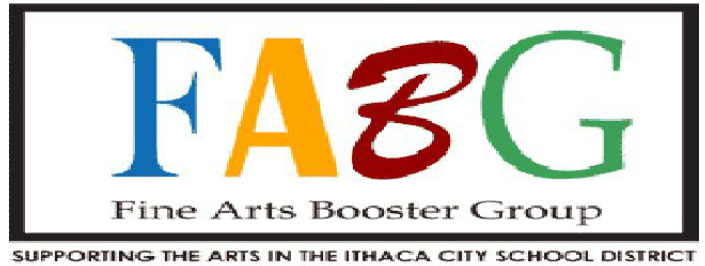


## Play It Again, Ithaca Encourages Students to Help Students



Ithaca College students are helping ICSD students keep music in their lives. The Ithaca College Student United Way recently awarded a grant to the Fine Arts Booster Group's *Play It Again, Ithaca*



instrument recycling program. The booster group, an affiliate of IPEI, collects used musical instruments to be distributed to students in the Ithaca City School District. These instruments become part of the ICSD collection of instruments available on loan to students. Through this program and in partnership with the district, FABG strives to provide students access to instruments and the opportunity to participate in band and orchestra in the Ithaca schools.

"This wonderful grant from Ithaca College students will help us repair instruments and get them into the hands of eager young students - we are very grateful to Ithaca College and the United Way," said Booster Co-President Alice Wu. "We are currently accepting used instruments." Community members can email the group at [president@fabgithaca.org](mailto:president@fabgithaca.org).

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student access, participation and equity in the arts programs. The boosters believe the arts - music, dance and visual, literary and theater arts - are a central part of every child's public school education.

[IPEI](#) is a not-for-profit organization that believes the education of every ICSD student is enhanced through community connections and support facilitated by IPEI for students and teachers through engagement, collaboration, gifts, and grants.

FABG is open to all K-12 staff, parents, students and community members. Join the group and volunteer to work on goals - communication, advocacy, grant giving, fundraising, community connections and instrument recycling. Join the listserv to hear about our meetings and other arts announcements. Subscribe to news by emailing [FineArtsBoosters-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:FineArtsBoosters-subscribe@yahoogroups.com). For more information about advertising in the performance booklets, please contact [ads@fabgithaca.org](mailto:ads@fabgithaca.org).

