



## Band Frequently Asked Questions:

### **What do students in Band do?**

THEY PLAY INSTRUMENTS! AND.....THEY PERFORM IN CONCERTS, A PARADE AND FOR SCHOOL FUNCTIONS. THE BAND ALSO TRAVELS TO DIFFERENT PLACES (SOME OUT OF STATE) AND PARTICIPATES IN VARIOUS BAND FESTIVALS.

### **Do you have to know how to read music?**

NO! STUDENTS IN BAND LEARN HOW TO READ MUSIC TOGETHER DURING CLASS TIME. IF YOU CAN ALREADY READ MUSIC YOU HAVE A HEAD START

### **Which instrument should I play?**

TOGETHER WITH MS. CARTWRIGHT OR MR. JONES, OTHER BAND STUDENTS, AND YOUR PARENTS, YOU WILL DECIDE WHICH INSTRUMENT IS RIGHT FOR YOU, **AFTER** YOU HAVE TESTED THEM ALL OUT, ONE AT A TIME. THIS IS DONE AT THE START OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

### **When does the Band practice?**

BAND CLASS MEETS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY. BAND IS JUST LIKE A REGULAR CLASS, EXCEPT WE PLAY INSTRUMENTS! SOMETIMES, BEFORE A BIG CONCERT, WE PRACTICE AFTER SCHOOL.

### **How much does an instrument cost?**

IT DEPENDS ON WHICH INSTRUMENT, HOW OLD IT IS, AND WHAT KIND OF CONDITION IT IS IN. YOU CAN PAY MONTHLY OR ALL AT ONCE FOR THE INSTRUMENTS. MOST INSTRUMENTS ARE VERY AFFORDABLE.

### **Does the school provide instruments?**

YES, BUT ONLY SOME INSTRUMENTS, AND ONLY TO STUDENTS WHO ARE IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE. THERE IS A \$50 RENTAL FEE FOR THE YEAR FOR STUDENTS WHO USE SCHOOL INSTRUMENTS.

### **Can you participate in Band and Sports?**

YES! MANY OF OUR BAND STUDENTS ARE OUTSTANDING CHEERLEADERS, FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, AND TRACK STARS!

### **When and How do you sign up for Band?**

LOOK FOR LETTERS WITH INSTRUCTIONS FROM US THIS SUMMER. IF YOU DON'T GET A LETTER YOU CAN ALWAYS CALL OR EMAIL US AT THE INFORMATION LISTED BELOW.

### **Have more questions about Band?**

CONTACT US AT SCHOOL!

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