Welcome to the Instrumental Program Information Meeting!

Instrument Selection Process

- Instrument demonstrations given in music class

- Students select 3 instrument choices to try

- Final instrument selection will be made based on student's preference and data collected during trial process

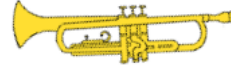- Letter with final selection will be sent home with students at the end of September

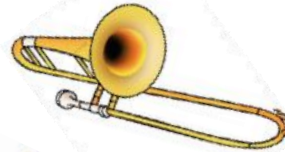# Instrument Selection Process

BAND INSTRUMENTS- Mrs. Doi

Flute

Oboe

Clarinet

Saxophone
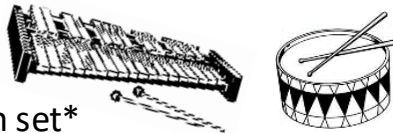
Trumpet

French Horn

Trombone

Baritone

Tuba

Percussion

does NOT include drum set

ORCHESTRA INSTRUMENTS
Ms. Potter

Violin

Viola

Cello

Bass

Band & Orchestra Lessons

BEGINNING October 17th

Please do your best to have instruments by this date

(it can take a while for a store to get instruments in...so order ASAP!)

- 30 minute lesson during school day in every 6 day cycle
- Small group of like-instruments
- Time of lesson rotates
- Lesson will always be on a set day of the cycle (ex: A days)
- Lesson schedules will be distributed prior to lessons

Instrumental Lesson Schedule "A" Day

	9/24 Mon.	10/2 Tues.	10/12 Fri.	10/22 Mon.	10/30 Tues.	11/7 Wed.	11/16 Fri.	11/29 Thurs
6th Flutes	9:15	9:45	10:15	10:45	1:05	1:35	2:05	2:35
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6th Clarinets	10:15	10:45	1:05	1:35	2:05	2:35	9:15	9:45
6th Saxes	10:45	1:05	1:35	2:05	2:35	9:15	9:45	10:15
5/6th French Horn	1:05	1:35	2:05	2:35	9:15	9:45	10:15	10:45
6th Trumpets	1:35	2:05	2:35	9:15	9:45	10:15	10:45	1:05
6th Trombnes/Bar.	2:05	2:35	9:15	9:45	10:15	10:45	1:05	1:35
6th Percussion	2:35	9:15	9:45	10:15	10:45	1:05	1:35	2:05

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Morning Rehearsals

- Regular rehearsals start in January
- D & S Days, 8:05-8:50am
- Students should arrive by 8:00am, _but no earlier than 7:50_
- Enter through front entrance door
- Sign-up for Remind!

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Instrumental Music Kick-off!!

Thursday October 12th – 8:00am

- **NO instruments**
- Opportunity for students to meet their entire ensemble

Instruments & Materials

- Instrument (WI Instrument Supply List)
- Lesson books (provided by school)
- Other materials (reeds, cleaning supplies, rosin, *music stand*) included on supply list

Practice Tips, Concert Dates, etc. ^A

- Consistent practice is the key to success!

- Set a designated practice time every day, this way practicing becomes routine.

- Set up a designated practice area in your home with a music stand and chair that allows for good sitting posture. Keeping an organized and ready-to-go music area can encourage daily practicing!

- At first, beginners can become frustrated that they cannot play "songs" or "recognizable tunes" right off the bat. Ensure them that if they continue to practice, they will be playing recognizable songs soon!

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Concert Date

Monday June 10th, 7:00pm

Commonly Asked Questions...

Is drum set an option?

No. Percussion includes concert percussion instruments (mallet instruments, snare drum, bass drum, triangle, tambourine, etc. Students selected for percussion are expected to learn and play all percussion instruments, not just drums

Is there a maximum number of students that can be play each instrument?

Sometimes. It depends on the instrument. Percussion has a maximum of 5 students per grade. Larger band and orchestra instruments are limited to the available school instruments.

What if my family cannot afford an instrument rental price?

We believe everyone should have the opportunity to play a musical instrument in our program, and we will work with you to help make this happen for your child! There are a limited number of school instruments available for families in need, this is determined on a case-by-case basis. Please reach out to your band/orchestra teacher about this if needed.

How/When do I get the instrument!?

We will mail home paperwork once every student has had the chance to try their 3 top instrument choices. This paperwork will include suggestions for where to get an instrument and what supplies are needed. (we don't recommend buying online...☺)

Questions, Meet the Teachers