

What do you want to know more about when registering your child for 5th GRADE instrumental music ensembles (Band and Orchestra)?

Q: Can I do band, chorus, and orchestra?

A: Yes. All ensembles meet after school on different days of the week so students can join multiple music ensembles.

Q: When do student take lessons? How often?

A: Students attend a weekly lesson the same day each week on a rotating basis (Ex. Week 1 - M) Monday lesson group A 9:00 – 9:30, Week 2 - M) Monday lesson group A 9:30 – 10:00, etc.).

Q: Where do we rent instruments?

A: You will receive a packet of information offering suggestions for instrument brands, supplies, and rental locations once an instrument is recommended for your child.

Q: How often should our child practice?

A: Music is no different from any other curricular area. Because this is a performance-based program, consistent home practice is necessary to maintain and expand skills and concepts taught in lessons and band. We ask that your child develop a consistent practice routine outside of school and view lessons/band as they would any other course. Think of it as musical homework, but much more fun!

Q: What if my child already plays and instrument?

A: If your child is an advanced musician, you have different options.

Option 1: When possible your child will be placed with other advanced students for lessons. They will also become leaders for others within the ensemble setting.

Option 2: Your child may select to play a second instrument in the other ensemble. He/she/they would continue their advanced lessons outside of the school day and take the beginner lessons within the school day setting.

Q: If I have questions that were not answered who do I contact?

A: Please feel free to reach out to your school instrumental teachers (listed on the 5th grade registration page).