Christensen Instrumental and Vocal
Music Program 2026-2027
Information Sheet

JOIN US!

At Christensen Middle School, sixth graders are able to participate in a daily instrumental or vocal music class. We have a thriving middle school music program and hope you will consider joining us.

Schedule/Course/PE: When making their course selection requests, sixth graders may sign up for Intermediate Band, Intermediate Orchestra or Vocal Music. All music classes will meet daily. Sixth grade instrumental music and vocal music students will be assigned a zero-period class at 7:30 a.m. every day. (Seventh and eighth grade music students have Music and PE during the regular day.)

Registering : Interested sixth grade students should select Intermediate Band, Intermediate Orchestra or Vocal Music when they complete the CMS 6th Grade Course Selection Form 2026-2027. You can also sign up for music by contacting the CMS Office (925-606-4702).

Concerts: The Intermediate Band has two performances. The Intermediate Orchestra has two performances. Vocal Music has two performances.

Selecting an Instrument (beginning students): Intermediate students will explore all of the instruments offered (a music "Petting Zoo") during the first two weeks of class. Based on their success and interest, the teacher and student will determine the instrument best suited for the student and would like to play.

Instruments: Students are expected to provide their own instrument but should not rent one until we have finished exploring the different instruments (unless currently studying privately).

School Instruments: We do provide certain large and expensive instruments (i.e., tuba, baritone, French horn, bass clarinet, string bass) and have a limited number of core instruments (flute, clarinet, trumpet, violin, viola, etc.). The types and number of these instruments offered is limited and are distributed based on need, class size, school inventory, and the needs of the group. If need exceeds inventory, school instruments will be allotted via lottery.

Logistics: The band room is open 7:30-8:25 a.m. every morning. Instruments should be stored in the music room during the day and then picked up after school unless arrangements are made with the music teacher.

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