



# Bentonville 6th Grade Music Programs

In sixth grade, there are four music classes to choose from!

You must pick ONE of these classes to add to your sixth grade schedule. Your choices are as follows:

The following presentation will help you explore the various programs! You will be asked to decide which program you would like to be a part of. It's a BIG decision! Think about it carefully, and have fun!

1. Choir
2. Band
3. Orchestra
4. General Music

# CHOIR

BHS Combined Choirs



2019 6th grade choral festival









A message from Bentonville choir students

# CHAMBER CHOIR



Here are some of the choirs you can take part in when you get to high school.

# A CAPPELLA CHOIR





*Freshmen Choirs*

# Band



# Flute



The FLUTE plays the highest notes in the woodwind family and is the only one played by blowing across a hole. Many of the most successful flute players have a rather flat upper lip with no “tear drop” or “cupid’s bow” in the center. Spots in the flute section are limited to around 10.

# Clarinet

The CLARINET is made of wood or plastic and has a remarkable range from low to high sounds and from loud to soft. Clarinet students learn more notes and fingerings than anyone else in the first year of playing. They also often have the melody



# Saxophone



The SAXOPHONE is a woodwind instrument that is actually made of brass, but it is considered a member of the woodwind family because it has a single reed like the clarinet. It is found occasionally in the symphony orchestra, but is more common in concert bands, marching bands, and jazz bands. Spots in the saxophone section are limited to around 7 or 8.

# *Trumpet*

The TRUMPET, with its high-pitched brilliant tone, is the leader of the brass family. A trumpet can produce all the notes of the scale by pressing the valves and changing the lip vibration speed.

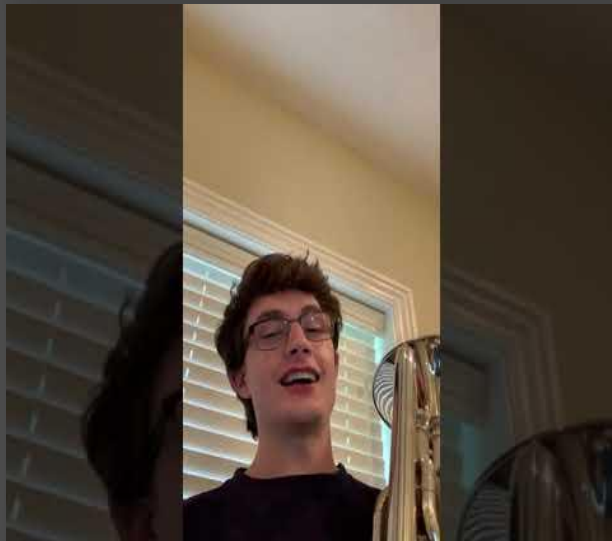


The TROMBONE sound is brassy like the trumpet, but makes a lower sound. Trombone players change notes by moving a slide rather than by pressing valves. The trombone is an important member of the band and its sound provides a solid foundation in music, not to mention its slide is capable of some great special effects.

# *Trombone*



# Baritone



The BARITONE (Euphonium) sound is brassy like the trumpet and uses valves but has a lower range like the trombone. It plays the very important bass line in band music like an electric bass in a rock band.

# Percussion

The PERCUSSION section of the band keeps the beat, builds excitement and adds color to the band. A percussionist does not just play the drums; he/she plays bells, xylophone, timpani, cymbals, triangle, and many other instruments. A 6th grade percussionist will use a percussion kit that families usually rent or purchase and learn both bells and snare drum for most of the first year.



**Please Note: Spots in the percussion section are limited to around 10; students interested in percussion will be tested for percussion aptitude by our district percussion coordinator in order to determine those who may be best suited for the percussion section.**



# *High School Bands*



# Orchestra

*19 Bentonville Orchestras. One Musical Community!*



# Let's Talk About The..... *Violin!*

**This is Bella** and she plays the violin. She loves music and it shows!! Bella is a serious player and loves a challenge! She has also found her passion and her niche. After her experience as a pit musician in our HS musical last year “Les Miserables”, she has decided that she wants to do this forever!

- ❖ Violin has a prominent sound that can range from softly expressive, to brilliant and soaring!
- ❖ The violin is often the instrument that carries the important melody in a string orchestra!

Listen to Bella's testimony about the violin and her experience in orchestra.



# Let's Talk About The.... *Viola!*

**This is Hans** and he plays the viola. This picture is Hans in 8th grade. He is now a Junior at BHS. He loves playing the viola and hanging out with his friends and studying in the orchestra room. Hans is a very good student! He has all AP classes and is **STILL** able to do Orchestra! You can too! He finds orchestra to be a refreshing escape from the normal classroom experience.

Listen to Hans speak about playing the viola.

- ❖ The viola is slightly larger, and has a much deeper resonance than the violin.
- ❖ The viola has the incredibly important job of carrying the harmonious inner parts of a string orchestra!



# Let's Talk About The..... Cello!

This is Lily and she is a graduate of BHS orchestras. This picture of Lily was from her first 6th grade concert. Now she is a student at the University of Chicago majoring in Physics. She still plays her cello in her college orchestra which is the highlight of her college experience! You can too!

- ❖ The Cello's broad range and rich tones make it a favorite of many composers for soaring melodies!

Listen to Lily share her experiences the cello has brought her, even after High School!



# Let's Talk About The.... *Bass!*

**This is Logan**, he plays Bass in the Chamber Orchestra. This is a picture of Logan when he first started orchestra in 6th grade. Logan is now a sophomore in high school and playing the bass is his life!! He loves getting together with his friends to talk about jazz. It is amazing to watch them teach each other new things.

- ❖ The string bass is the largest member of the string family!
- ❖ This instrument is famous for its ability to intermingle between both the classical and jazz worlds!

Watch this video from Logan!





# *Bentonville's High School Orchestras*



# 19 Bentonville Orchestras, One Musical Community!

Orchestra is THE place where your child will.....

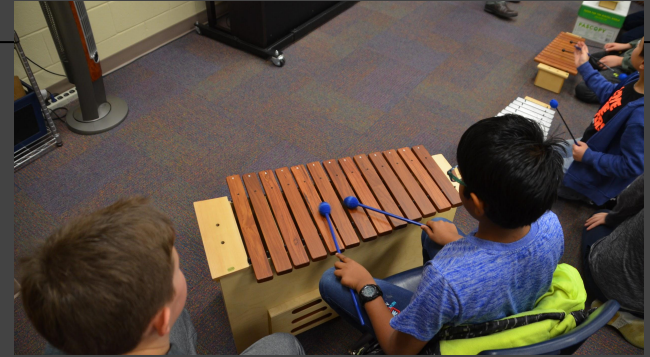
- feel and experience music!
- find an emotional outlet!
- be a part of something GREATER!
- be taught by professional musicians!
- belong to a community!

**JOIN ORCHESTRA!!!**





# General Music



# *General Music*

**Any student not interested in joining choir, band or orchestra may choose general music.**

**This is a non-performing class that focuses on a wide variety of musical aspects.**

**Students who do not return a form for choir, band, or orchestra will automatically be placed in general music.**

# Questions???

Please contact us! Check out the following slides for music teacher contact information!



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# Why Music?

1. Music is a SCIENCE
2. Music is MATHEMATICAL
3. Music is a FOREIGN LANGUAGE
4. Music is HISTORY
5. Music is PHYSICAL EDUCATION
6. Music develops INSIGHT, and demands RESEARCH
7. Music is ALL of these things, but most of all..... Music is ART!

## This is why we teach music:

- Not because we expect you to major in music.....
- Not because we expect you to play or sing all of your life.....
- But so you will be HUMAN.....
- So you will recognize BEAUTY.....
- So you will be closer to an INFINITE beyond this world.....
- So you will have something to CLING to.....
- So you will have more LOVE, more COMPASSION
- More GENTLENESS, more GOOD
- In short..... More LIFE!

