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Jefferson Middle School Band

What is Beginning Band?

The Beginning Band Program is a chance for your child to learn the basics of playing a musical instrument. You will have several chances throughout the school year to hear the band perform in concerts. Beginning Band is a class that meets every day of the week for the entire school year. Band will be one of two connection classes that a student takes every day of the week (others include Art, Keyboarding, Spanish, P.E., etc). Each band period will last for approximately 50 minutes a day.

How do we choose an instrument?

We will have our 6th Grade parent night in the Jefferson Middle School band room during the first week of the new school year. Music and Arts Centers, a widely-respected band instrument dealer endorsed by the Jefferson Band Directors, will have representatives on hand to assist you with instrument selection, payment terms, etc. DO NOT buy an instrument from Wal-Mart or yard sales, etc. These are inferior and will not suffice for our needs.

Will my child still be able to participate in sports and other activities?

Absolutely! At JMS, all sports, musical groups, and after-school academic groups work together so that students are able to participate in a wide variety of activities. We try to be very flexible so that students are able to participate in numerous activities at once if they so choose.

When and where do we get the instrument?

Students who choose to rent from Music and Arts will receive their instruments on the parent night. Otherwise, it is up to you to shop around and find an instrument for your student. Your child will be instructed on how to correctly assemble, care for, and play the instrument they have chosen during the first few days of class. Please instruct your students to NOT attempt putting the instrument together or to play it until proper instruction has been given at school. This could potentially save hundreds of dollars in repair if it is damaged!



6th Grade Band Parent Night!

First week of the school year – we will contact you by phone or email when we get the date set.