

Welcome to Intermediate Band



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On the 2nd day of class

- Bring your instrument in good playing condition with a restocked set of supplies. You may bring your instrument to the band room before school and place it in the cabinets along the left wall of the band room.
- MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A NAMETAG ON YOUR CASE.
- Bring a pencil to keep in your case you need a pencil every day in band.
- Bring your book. Make sure your name is on the front cover.
- Your parents should keep a record of the brand and serial number of your instrument.

Books

- You will need your "Tradition of Excellence, Book 1" from last year.
- You will need "Tradition of Excellence, Book 2" by August 23rd.

7th Grade Intermediate Band Required Performances

Wednesday, December 11, 2019	7:00 p.m.	Winter Concert (7,8)	FZ East High Auditorium
Thursday, February 27, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Pageant of Bands Concert	FZ East High Auditorium
Saturday, February 29, 2020	TBA	MS Band Festival	FZ South High Auditorium
Tuesday, May 5, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Spring Concert (6,7,8)	FZ East High Auditorium
May date TBD	During School	Medieval Day Concert	DuBray Middle School

Concert Dress

- White long sleeve shirt with a collar. This can be a button up dress shirt or a turtleneck.
- Black dress pants no jeans, leggings or capris, please
- Black socks should come up to mid-calf
- Black shoes no other colors should be visible on the shoe
- Band vest this will be issued before the first concert. Please, do not alter the vest or wash it.

The vests are dry cleaned every year. They will be turned in at the end of the school year.

More Band Opportunities

- Jazz Band is an after school activity which meet in the band room on Tuesdays beginning August 27, 2019. Students will learn how to improvise and play standard jazz band literature. A letter with more information about concerts and rehearsal requirements will be available during the second week of school.
- **Metro District 8 Middle Level Honor Band** is a group comprised of the finest middle level musicians in the area. Auditions are on Saturday, November 2nd. More information and audition materials will be distributed in the first few weeks of school.
- **Metro District 8 Middle School Solo and Ensemble Festival** is an opportunity to prepare a solo or a small ensemble to play for a clinician. This event will be on a Saturday in March. More information will be coming soon.

Participation Requirements

- Have all materials necessary for class (instrument, reeds, books, pencil, mouthpiece, sticks and mallets, etc.)
- Attend all required performances as listed above
- Participate in class
- Complete written work on time

Repair

- 1. PLEASE ALLOW MRS. FENSKE OR MR. PADGETT TO LOOK AT YOUR INSTRUMENT BEFORE TAKING IT IN TO BE REPAIRED because it may just be something simple that I can adjust.
- 2. After I have looked at the instrument, please take your instrument to a qualified repairperson. Please make sure that the music store does its own repairs and does not send them elsewhere.
- 3. BRING A NOTE FROM YOUR PARENT/GUARDIAN letting me know that the instrument has been taken to repair.

Practice

- To become the best musician you can be, you are will be expected to practice 15 minutes most days.
- Practicing your instrument should be fun! We will discuss how to get the most out of your practice time.

Grading

- Playing tests (scales, etudes, music we are preparing, rhythm exercises. etc.)
- Concert attendance and etiquette
- Daily participation

Cookie Dough Fund Raiser

In order for our band program to be able to participate in trips to professional concerts, clinics, festivals, and other additional musical experiences as well as purchase equipment and supplies that enrich our program, we need to fundraise so that costs can be covered. This year, band students will be participating in a Tom Evans Cookie Dough fundraiser. Our band has a long tradition of selling cookie dough, and we have always done very well. Thank you in advance for your help with this!

The fundraiser will begin on Friday, November 14th and run to Monday, December 2nd. The items will be available for pick up on Monday, December 16th (just in time for the holidays).

Area Music Stores

Mozingo Music www.mozingomusic.com/rentals 4689 Highway K O'Fallon, MO 636-300-9553

Low Key Music www.lowkeymusicstl.com 6235 N Lindbergh Blvd. Hazelwood, MO 63042 314- 764-2222

Music & Arts www.musicarts.com 6161 Mid Rivers Mall Dr. St. Peters, MO 636-244-3770

Palen Music www.palenmusic.com/pages/rent 11134 Lindbergh Business Court b, St. Louis, MO 63123 636-229-1904

Mid Rivers Music www.midriversmusic.com 355-A Mid Rivers Mall Drive St. Peters, MO 636-970-3385