

5th Grade Band, “Cadet Band”

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This sheet helps parents:

- Register their student for band,
- Help parents and students make a good choice for band
- Learn about rental of an instrument
- Know the Materials a student will need for band
- Timeline of Band Recruiting, the first lessons, and scope of year

Learning an instrument is a wonderful gift a parent can give to a student. It offers the student

1. a brand new field of study a student has not encountered,
2. offers a student a way to express themselves in a musical manner,
3. teaches discipline as without disciplined practice a student will not attain their musical goals,
4. involves a student with a group of young people who are goal driven and tend to be at the top of their class even though they have taken time from their other studies to study an instrument.
5. Gives students the opportunity to study beauty and how to create it.
6. Gives students the ability to perform for others and bring joy to their audience.

Here are the steps to join band:

1. Select an instrument to play. Here is a website, [Be Part of the Band](#) to go and search out the different sounds of the instruments. See what instrument you like the best and see yourself playing it.
2. Register for Band. Follow this [link to sign up for band](#).
3. Rent the instrument selected and secure the materials needed for class.
 - a. [Quinlan and Fabish](#): Follow link to the site and search for band rentals.
 - b. Music and Arts
 - c. Horn Stash
 - d. Sam Ash Music

Timeline of events

- **Step 1: Band Demonstration** (given by the band teacher for the entire 5th grade) (Week of August 31 - September 4)
- **Step 2: Try-Its** We will not do these in person this year, but you may call one of the music stores and ask if they would be willing to do this for you. Quinlan and Fabish in Arlington Heights does instrument try it's by appointment.
- **Step 3: Parent Meeting: Information about this meeting will be pushed out in the September 3 principal note.**
- **Goal: Have an instrument for your student and the needed supplies by September 15.**
- **Band Lessons start on September 16.**

Supplies needed for band

Instruction Books:

All Students except percussion: [Essential Elements 2000 Band Book One](#)

(choose the book for your child's instrument.)

Theory book for all. ["5 Minute Theory."](#) Choose the book for your student's instrument.

Percussion students need to purchase [Mark Wessel's books:](#)

- "A Fresh Approach to the Snare Drum" and
- "A Fresh approach to the Mallet Percussion."