



THE MONTGOMERY C. SMITH BAND PROGRAM



What Is Band?

The Band program is a chance for students to learn wind and percussion instruments. Students receive weekly lessons, attend band rehearsals, and perform in a variety of events throughout the year.

When Do We Meet?

Each band student meets for a 40 minutes lesson once a week. Lessons are held during the school day.

What Instruments are Available? The instruments you can choose from are:

Clarinet



Saxophone



Flute



Trumpet



Trombone



Percussion



Baritone



French Horn



How Do I Get An Instrument?

You have two options for getting an instrument. You can rent one through a local music store or you can rent one through the school. However, school instrument supplies are **very** limited; most students prefer renting through a local music store such as Musica or Nivers in Hudson; or John Keal Music, in Albany. Contact information is listed below.

***Musica-** (518)-828-1045, 17 North 4th St. Hudson New York

***John Keal Music-** (518)- 482-4405, 819 Livingston Ave Ext. Albany, New York

***If you place an order through John Keal Music it can be delivered directly to the school.**

*** Percussionists will need to buy their own sticks and practice pads in place of renting an instrument. This usually cost around \$20.**

What Other Materials Will I need?

Each student will need a lesson book, usually \$12, and supplies appropriate to their instrument. For example a clarinet player will need to have four working reeds at any given time. Needs such as this will be discussed during lessons.

TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE BAND PROGRAM AND RENTING INSTRUMENTS PLEASE COME TO OUR MEET AND GREET THURSDAY JUNE 17TH AT 6:30PM IN THE HUDSON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM



2008-09 Band Request Form

Please return to your teacher by May 29th 2009

Dear parents,

Thank you for showing interest in our band program at Montgomery C. Smith School. Please read all the information on the first page of this packet to learn more about our program. To request to participate in our program please fill out the band request form with your student. Instrument assignments will be mailed shortly before the school year begins. If you have any questions about the program please feel free to contact me at Vorwalds@Hudsoncityschooldistrict.com

Sincerely,

Scott Vorwald



Student's Name: _____ Current Teacher _____

Parents Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address: _____

E-mail Address _____

_____ Please check if you **don't** want to receive e-mail updates about the music and arts programs in Hudson City Schools

Please choose your three favorite Instruments: 1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

Have you played any instruments before? If so which _____

Please check one:

_____ I plan on renting an instrument through a local music store

- Students who rent through a local music store will automatically be able to participate in band next year. Please do not rent an instrument until you have received confirmation from Mr. Vorwald as to which instrument you will be playing.

_____ I plan on requesting an instrument through the school

- We have a very limited supply of school instruments that we can rent out to students. Instruments will be assigned to students on a first come first serve basis. Please consider renting an instrument through a local music store so we can offer our school instruments to those students who need them the most.

Please return this form to Mr. Vorwald
You may return this form at school or mail it to:

Scott Vorwald
102 Harry Howard Ave
Hudson New York, 12534