



## Performing Arts Department Instrumental Music

September 3, 2019

Dear Parents:

This week, all 4th and 5th grade students at the North and West Int. Schools will attend an assembly about our instrumental music program and have the chance to see and hear the different instruments that are available for them to learn this year. If your son or daughter is considering joining our instrumental music program, we offer the following instruments:

VIOLIN	VIOLA	CELLO	STRING BASS
FLUTE	CLARINET	ALTO SAXOPHONE	TRUMPET
TROMBONE	PERCUSSION		

At the elementary level (grades 4 & 5), students who participate in instrumental music lessons receive small group lessons during the regular school day. Your child will be assigned to a specific day of the week for lessons, and a specific lesson time. That lesson time rotates on a weekly basis, so that your child will not miss the same subject more than once every 4-6 weeks. Students must provide their own instrument, lesson book, and a few basic equipment items for the instrument that they choose.

In the elementary instrumental music program, it is our goal that all students will be comfortable playing their instrument and reading music. Building on these skills, students can continue to play in our middle and high school ensembles, when the program begins to focus on performance and community outreach. Our goal is to educate and shape young musicians who can perform, create, and enjoy music for their entire lives.

A BEGINNING BAND & STRINGS registration meeting will be held on **Wednesday, September 11 @ 7pm** in the Wilmington High School Auditorium. This meeting is **REQUIRED** for the parents of all **NEW** beginning students. At this meeting we will discuss the curriculum and schedule. For your convenience, there will be musical instrument vendors available to present their rental programs. If you have already obtained an instrument, please bring it with you to this meeting. Beginning music lessons will start the week of September 16. All participating students **MUST** have an instrument by the first week of lessons.

Beginning STRINGS and BAND students are asked to please complete the online registration by **Tuesday, September 10** at **[www.advband.com](http://www.advband.com)**. On the registration page, you will also find information about rental companies, and the required equipment.

Please contact us with any questions - we look forward to seeing you on September 11th!

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**Beginning Instrumental Music Lessons (band & strings)**  
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