

Welcome to 6th Grade Band!

Mr. Boswell, Mrs. Jonker and Mrs. Rowe would like to welcome all of our new band students and hope the following information will be helpful to you and your parents!

Beginning Band Parent Meeting:

- **Wednesday, Sept. 4th, 2019 at 6:00 pm in the MS Old Gym**

Instrument Selection Process:

- Students will have the opportunity to try-out for instruments Wednesday morning, September 4th during class with representatives from Meyer Music.
- Students, please have at least 3 of the following instruments in mind before trying out: Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, French Horn, Trumpet, Trombone, or Percussion
- Students wishing to play in the percussion section must be able to read music and rhythms, and have had 2 years of lessons on piano or another instrument to be considered.

Concerts:

- **Holiday Concert - Wednesday, December 11th, 2019 - MHS Auditorium**
- **Winter Concert - Wednesday, February 12th, 2020 - MHS Auditorium**
- **Spring Concert - Thursday, April 30th, 2020 - MHS Gymnasium - Band Collage**

Parents are encouraged to attend any or all of our performances to support their children and the Mattawan Bands!

Uniform

- Black Dress Pants or Full Length Skirts (no skirts, leggings, or yoga pants) (student provides)
- Black Socks and Black Dress Shoes (student provides)
- Yellow Mattawan Bands t-shirt that is provided to the students

Supplies Needed

- Instrument
- A band method book (provided to the students)
- A 1" black 3-ring binder with 10-15 clear pages for sheet music!

Band Donation Fee

- There will be a band donation requested for each student to pay to cover costs for the entire year due later in September. You will be able to pay online at www.mattawanbands.org or by check made payable To: Mattawan Band Boosters, Inc. This fee covers the expense for all of the following: all reeds, oils, in-house maintenance, sheet music, band books, a wire music stand, and t-shirts worn for performances. Please do NOT use revtrak as it is no longer linked to the band program. Please stay tuned for more specific amount information coming soon!

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Please reach out to us with any questions or concerns. The best way to exchange information during the school day is via email due to the number of rehearsals that we teach each day.

We look forward to meeting you at Open House and at the meeting on September 4th! Thank you!

We are looking forward to a great year!