



Welcome to the Woodland Middle School Band program!

This will be an exciting year full of hard work and many rewards. Please feel free to call or email if you have any questions about our program. Band offers opportunities for students to grow and excel both as an individual and as part of a large group. Through the study of music, students will experience high levels of self-expression, creativity, discipline, cooperation and achievement. Music participation enhances respect for self and others, problem solving, teamwork, goal setting, coordination, memory skills, self-confidence, self-esteem, concentration, commitment making and skills which will help prepare students for tomorrow.

Sign Up for Text:
Send a text message to:
(510) 400-7215
With the message:
@6wmsband

BRAND NAMES MATTER!

Brand names are very important to the quality of the instrument. Acceptable brand names are included with the supply list attached. Internet and non-music stores may offer new instruments at low prices. *Many of these instruments are considered "disposable" and parts are not available for repairs.* The tone and intonation quality is not suitable for the ensemble.



Supplies needed:

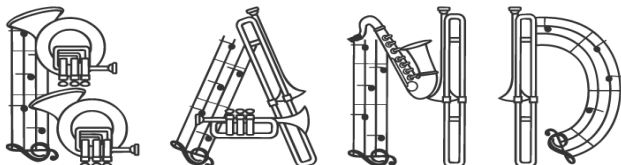
- Instrument
- Book
- 1 inch binder
- Band Uniform (Concert Black)
- Folding Music Stand (for home practice)

School Owned Instruments:

The only instruments that may be rented from the school are Tubas, Baritones, and French Horns. They are \$50 for the school year. These instruments are limited and students must provide their own mouthpiece for use with the instruments. These are the only type instruments the school owns. Gadsden Music will have Baritones and French Horns available for Rent-To-Own for those who would like their own instrument. Mouthpieces may be purchased from the school or music store.

Need more info:

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

1. Where do I get my instrument?

You may choose any source to obtain your instrument. Please use caution when you purchase an instrument from a location other than a reputable music store.

2. How much does it cost?

You may purchase an instrument or rent one at a music store. Cost is based on new or used, brand name and overall condition. You want to be sure you get a quality instrument in good working condition.

RENT TO OWN

1. Small initial investment. Payments are made toward purchase of instrument.
2. Maintenance plans can be included.
3. Weekly service provided by store rep at the school.

BUY

1. Total purchase price up front.
2. Maintenance is your responsibility
3. You will need to take the instrument to a repair shop for service.

If you are looking to purchase an instrument a list of recommended online and private retailers can be provided.

If an instrument is "brand new" and is much cheaper than the recommended ones it is for a reason. These instruments will not play properly, do not stay in adjustment, and are not repairable).

Please do not waste your money. Do not hesitate to ask questions.

ONLINE INSTRUMENT RENTALS AVAILABLE FROM A REPUTABLE SOURCE:

www.gadsdenmusic.com

www.bignotemusic.com

Both companies will provide weekly service if needed.

WE WILL START INSTRUMENTS ON AUGUST 24. Your child will need a book and instrument.