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SJCS Middle School Bands Enrollment Form

Dear Students and Families,

Thank you for your interest in joining SJCS Middle School Band! This enrollment form is for Concert Band and/or Jazz Band. Please fill out the attached form and return it to Mr. Plares by **Thursday, June 4th, 2026**.

Expectations/Commitment

In order to reach our full potential, band requires both an individual and group effort. Below are the expectations for **all students** who join band:

- Band sign up is for the entire school year and may be terminated only by the agreement of the student, parent, teacher, and administrator.
- Students are required to attend all rehearsals and performances.
- Students are required to practice their instrument weekly at home.
- Students are expected to bring their instrument, music, and required supplies to every band rehearsal
- Students are expected to show respect to their director, bandmates, and any guests who may enter the classroom.
- Students are expected to have a **growth mindset**.

Grading

Assessment Rubric

Weekly Home Practice	30%
Play Tests/Quizzes	20%
Music Theory	20%
Concert Attendance	20%
Participation	10%



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Supplies

A supply list for each specific instrument is attached to this letter, but a general overview of supplies needed are:

- An instrument
- Instrument-specific cleaning/maintenance supplies
- 2 Pencils
- Concert attire
 - Boys: White, long-sleeve buttoned shirt, black dress pants, black socks, black dress shoes (optional: black tie)
 - Girls: Black dress or white top/black bottoms, black or white socks (depending on rest of attire), black dress shoes/slippers
- “Tradition of Excellence” Book 2 for your specific instrument (Blue Book)
- Recommended: music stand for home practice
- Recommended: noise reduction ear plugs
- Recommended: Metronome

Instrument Selection

Because of the level of music we are aiming to play, band students will typically play the same instrument they began with in 5th grade. Students may move to a different instrument only under special circumstances and after a conversation with Mr. Plares. If your student is interested in changing instruments, please contact Mr. Plares before filling out the enrollment form.

Getting an Instrument

Leasing an Instrument from the School

The school has a limited selection of instruments available to lease. These instruments are serviced over the summer and are generally in good condition, although they may show more wear than rent-to-own instruments. Beginning band students receive priority for these instruments, then middle school band on a first come, first served basis. Below are the prices to lease school instruments:

\$90/year: flute, clarinet

\$120/year: bass clarinet, trumpet, trombone, euphonium

\$140/year: French horn

\$160/year: alto saxophone, tenor sax, bari sax, tuba.



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Rent-to-Own Program

This is the best way to get an instrument. The instruments available are new or slightly used. You pay a monthly rental fee that goes directly towards the cost of buying the instrument. Music Village is our preferred store and offers an affordable rent-to-own program.

Bringing an Instrument from Home/ Buying an Instrument

If you already have an instrument in good condition at home, this may be the best option for you. If you are unsure if your instrument is in good condition, you may be able to bring it to a music store/technician to determine its playability. Be very careful when buying instruments. Used instruments may require repairs or adjustments. New instruments being sold online with very low prices may have quality issues that technicians will not be able to fix. If you are interested in buying an instrument, talk to Mr. Plares for more information.



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Instrument Supply List

Woodwinds

Flute

- Flute
- Flute cleaning kit (cleaning cloth, powder paper)
- 2 Pencils
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- "Tradition of Excellence" Book 2 for Flute
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Clarinet

- Clarinet
- Clarinet cleaning kit (cleaning cloth, cork grease, powder paper)
- Box of size 2 clarinet reeds (replenished as needed)
- 2 Pencils
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- "Tradition of Excellence" Book 2 for Bb Clarinet
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Bass Clarinet

- Bass clarinet

- Bass clarinet cleaning kit (cleaning cloth/swab, cork grease, powder paper)
- Box of size 2 bass clarinet reeds (replenished as needed)
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- "Tradition of Excellence" Book 2 for Bb Bass Clarinet
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Alto Saxophone

- Alto saxophone
- Alto saxophone cleaning kit (cleaning cloth/swab, cork grease, powder paper)
- Box of size 2 alto saxophone reeds (replenished as needed)
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- "Tradition of Excellence" Book 2 for Eb Alto Saxophone
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
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Tenor Saxophone

- Tenor saxophone
- Tenor saxophone cleaning kit (cleaning cloth/swab, cork grease, powder paper)
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- Box of size 2 tenor saxophone reeds (replenished as needed)
 - Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
 - “Tradition of Excellence” Book 2 for Bb Tenor Saxophone
 - Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome
- Baritone saxophone
 - Baritone saxophone cleaning kit (cleaning cloth/swab, cork grease, powder paper)
 - Box of size 2 baritone saxophone reeds (replenished as needed)
 - Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
 - “Tradition of Excellence” Book 2 for Eb Baritone Saxophone
 - Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Baritone Saxophone

Brasswinds

Trumpet

- Trumpet
- Trumpet cleaning kit (cleaning cloth, valve oil)
- 2 Pencils
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- “Tradition of Excellence” Book 2 for Bb Trumpet
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

French Horn

- French Horn
- French horn cleaning kit (cleaning cloth, rotary oil)
- 2 Pencils
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- “Tradition of Excellence” Book 2 for F Horn
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome



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Baritone/Euphonium

- Baritone/Euphonium
- Baritone/Euphonium cleaning kit (cleaning cloth, valve oil)
- 2 Pencils
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- “Tradition of Excellence” Book 2 for Baritone/Euphonium (Treble clef if moving from trumpet, bass clef if moving from trombone)
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Trombone

- Trombone
- Trombone cleaning kit (cleaning cloth, slide grease)
- 2 Pencils
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- “Tradition of Excellence” Book 2 for Trombone (make sure it is in bass clef)
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Tuba

- Tuba
- Tuba cleaning kit (cleaning cloth, valve oil)
- 2 Pencils
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- “Tradition of Excellence” Book 2 for Tuba (make sure it is in bass clef)
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Percussion

- Orchestra bells with mallets
- snare drum practice pad with drum sticks
- 2 Pencils
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- “Tradition of Excellence” Book 2 for Percussion
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
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Jazz Band-Specific Instruments (not including winds)

Piano

- Piano at home to practice with
- 2 Pencils
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Guitar

- Electric guitar
- Instrument cable
- Amp
- 2 Pencils
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Bass Guitar

- Bass guitar
- Instrument cable
- Amp
- 2 Pencils
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Drumset

- Drumset to practice with at home (acoustic or electric)
- 2 Pencils
- Concert Attire (see **Supplies** on the previous page for details)
- Recommended:
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Chapel Band-Specific Instruments

Piano

- Piano at home to practice with
- 2 Pencils
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Guitar

- Electric or acoustic guitar with pickup
- Instrument cable
- Amp
- 2 Pencils
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Bass Guitar

- Bass guitar
- Instrument cable
- Amp
- 2 Pencils
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
 - Noise Reduction Ear Plugs
 - Metronome

Drumset

- Drumset to practice with at home (acoustic or electric)
- 2 Pencils
- Recommended:
 - Music Stand
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Voice

- 2 Pencils
- Recommended:
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Student's Full Name:

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Parent/Guardian Name(s):

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STUDENT: Complete/initial each statement with a parent/guardian.

Mark one or more:

- Concert Band Instrument: _____ have an instrument: yes no
- Jazz Band Instrument: _____ have an instrument: yes no
- Chapel Band Instrument: _____ have an instrument: yes no
- Plan on taking private lessons with: _____

- _____ I understand that band requires responsibility, self-discipline, and regular practice.
- _____ I understand the weekly practice requirement for my particular band(s).
- _____ I understand that band is a graded class and follows the sports eligibility requirements outlined in the Parent Student Handbook.
- _____ I understand that attendance to all rehearsals and performances is mandatory, and missing either may affect my grade.
- _____ I will bring my instrument, music, and required supplies to **every** band rehearsal.
- _____ I will cooperate during all rehearsals out of respect for myself, my classmates, and my director.
- _____ I will play my instrument only when instructed by my director.
- _____ I will not bring gum, food, or beverages (except water) into the music room.
- _____ I will handle my own instrument. I will not misuse, abuse, or misplace it in any way.
- _____ When attending field trips or performances, I will be a positive ambassador for my band, my school, and God in what I do and say.

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PARENT/GUARDIAN: Review the following information and sign your name.

- I understand that my child's commitment to the band is for the entire school year and may be terminated only by the agreement of the student, parent, teacher, and administrator.
- I will take time to set up a specific, **consistent** practice routine that works for the entire family.
- I understand that concert attendance at all concerts is **required**.

Parent/guardian signature

Date signed