



Dear Parents:

Today, your child heard the Dempsey Jazz Band showcase the instruments available to them in 6th grade. To learn more about 6th grade band, **please join us on March 18th at 7:30pm** for our parent information meeting. The next step towards becoming a musician for the 5th grade class will be to play every band instrument! **On March 24th and March 26th**, your child has the opportunity to meet with a professional musician who will work individually with your child to select an instrument that is exciting for them to play, and one where they have natural talent.

Students who participate in band forge life-long **friendships**, create incredible **memories**, and develop strong personal qualities such as **commitment, self-discipline, responsibility, and confidence**. Your child will have the opportunity to travel with the band and perform in some of the most iconic locations in (and outside!) of the United States, such as:

- Galway and Larhardane, Ireland
- Tampa Bay, Florida for the *2020 Outback Bowl*
- Ybor City Outback Bowl Parade
- The Ohio Stadium (The Horseshoe)
- Orlando, Florida for a Disney Studios Recording Session
- Gray Chapel at Ohio Wesleyan
- Kings Island
- Cedar Point

Many scientific studies and research projects have determined that students who participate in band:

- Get **higher grades**
- Score **higher in math**
- Have **higher test scores**
- Have **higher graduation rates**
- More successful in foreign language classes

Please visit our website www.pacerbands.com to sign-up for a fitting time and to register your child for band. If you are unable to attend this meeting, **you are still able to register your child for band!** Register your child using the form then contact Mrs. Brandyberry to schedule an individual fitting.

We look forward to welcoming you into the band family on March 18th at 7:30pm!

Sincerely,

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