

Welcome to 5th Grade Band!

Dear Future 5th Grade Band Members and Parents,

Congratulations on a wonderful spring concert! My name is Ms. Stein and I'm going to be your 5th Grade Band teacher. I'm very excited to meet you all and get to know you very soon.

The 5th grade band currently meets on Fridays for full band from 8:15-8:45 am and lessons are rotated throughout the morning.

Our first day of band will be Friday, September 21st.

We will continue to work out of your book *Essential Elements book 1* so please be sure to keep track of it over the summer!

In addition to your instruments and book, the rest of the required materials for 5th grade band are as follows:

- ALL STUDENTS **must** have an instrument ID tag with the following information:
 - student name, grade, phone number, email address, homeroom teacher
 - If you rent from Barcone's they supply you with a name tag
- **Trumpet/Baritone:** Al Cass or Blue Juice valve oil
- **Trombone:** Slide-o-Mix slide grease and a small spray bottle for water
- **Clarinet/Saxophone:** A box of 10 Rico or Vandoren size 2 reeds and an instrument swab
- **Flute:** cleaning cloth and rod
- **Percussion:**
 - Please keep at home: a bell kit and a practice pad.
 - Bring to school: a pair of snare drum sticks and xylophone mallets (these should come with your rental bell kit.)
 - **Vic Firth Standard Stick Bag** or a similar product with an ID tag
 - **Alfred's Drum Method book 1 by Sandy Feldstein and Dave Black**
 - Available on www.wwbw.com (no DVD)
 - If you would like to purchase your own snare drum sticks I recommend Regal Tip 5ax or Vic Firth 5a with wooden tips.

All supplies can be purchased at www.wwbw.com or from Radovich and Dean Music in Carmel.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

I look forward to working with you all next year!

Sincerely,
Ms. Stein