



INFORMATION PACKET

CONTACT INFORMATION

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OGDEN BAND WEBSITE

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Check website for current practice sheets, recordings of band songs, permission slips, calendar, etc.

OGDEN BAND FACEBOOK PAGE

<https://www.facebook.com/ogdenband/>

Feel free to check out AND share photos and videos from this year's events!

BAND GRADING

(Standards-Based Assessment)

- Performing on instruments, alone and with others, a varied repertoire of music.

Practice Sheets (Handed out every 6 weeks (also on website); Goal of 2 hours/week.

Playing Tests (Students can opt to play tests in class OR send in audio/video recording OR play test right after school).

Concerts (These count as group-exams...attendance is required, please communicate scheduling conflicts ahead of time and illness/emergency/etc. so that grade is not affected.

- Improvising melodies, variations, and accompaniments.
- Reading and notating music.

Students will complete music theory lessons together in class; Theory tests will be given every 6 weeks;

Students will complete rhythm-reading lessons together; Short rhythm-counting tests will take place periodically.

- Listening to, analyzing, and describing music.
- Evaluating music and music performances.

Students will use state adjudication sheets to evaluate their own and others' performances, using in-class recording equipment and live festival performances.

INSTRUMENT RENTAL & PURCHASE

All **7th/8th grade students** are encouraged to rent/buy (or rent to own) an instrument from a music store** (Our limited number of school instruments will be primarily used by beginning band students - if there are any remaining - once 6th graders have theirs, they will be made available to 7th/8th graders.)

6th grade beginning band students can either rent/buy (rent to own) from a music store** OR rent an instrument from Ogden on a first come, first serve basis.

Music Store Rental Night at Ogden:

Ogden will host a rental night (Ogden cafeteria) on **Thursday, Sept. 13** for all interested parents. Parents will be able to rent/buy instruments and accessories **from Beacock Music Store** at that time. Rental night flyers will be sent home with more info.

(This is an opportunity to rent/rent-to-own or purchase instruments from a music store. Ogden-owned instruments will not be rented out at this event - that can be taken care of using the Ogden instrument rental form (and those instruments will be issued out in band class)).

**Advantages of renting/buying from a music store: by renting an instrument from a music store, the student is guaranteed to play their instrument of choice; instruments are typically in superb condition; maintenance can come at little to no cost (depending on the store).

School Instruments:

Ogden also has a limited number of school instruments that can be rented for the year for \$50 on a first come, first serve basis. The week of Sept. 19, school instruments will be **assigned** to students who have turned in completed forms/payment - in the order that the forms were turned in.

****Music Stores:**

beacockmusic.com

(They stop by Ogden on a weekly basis to pick up any Beacock-owned instruments that need repairs, swap out those instruments, and give students a replacement instrument the same day)

www.wallysmusic.com

(They stop by Ogden on a monthly basis to pick up any Wally's-owned instruments that need repairs)

beavertonmusic.net / joyfulnoisemusic.com (same owner)

School Instruments:

Ogden has a limited (5-6 of each type) number of school instruments that can be rented (primarily by 6th grade students) for the entire school year for \$50.

6th GRADE INSTRUMENT OPTIONS

BEGINNING BAND STUDENTS CAN OPT TO PLAY THE FOLLOWING INSTRUMENTS (see notes*):

Flute

Clarinet

Alto Sax

Trumpet

Trombone

Baritone

Percussion*

**(You will need to buy bell mallets and drum sticks. You will eventually play a variety of percussion instruments in class)*

Electric Bass*

**(You will need to buy a bass guitar (Guitar Center is a good option...Ogden/music stores do not rent these out), soft case, and a small amp to bring to band)*

Keyboard*

**(Only students who have taken piano lessons will be considered...there is only one keyboard)*

No Guitar*

(Guitars will not be an option for 6th grade; In 7th/8th Grade, students must pass an audition)

BAND SUPPLIES

- 3-ring binder
- plastic sheet covers (25)
- college-ruled notebook paper
- pencil

- **Combination Lock** *(All Grades)*

**for assigned band locker - please no 'key' locks...students tend to lose the keys, and then we have to break off the lock. I will keep combinations on file in case students forget combination. Flute/Clarinet players can opt to store their instruments in their regular school lockers instead.*

- **Band Method Books**

(Local music stores keep these in stock, including Wally's Music in Oregon City, Joyful Noise Music, Beaverton Music and Beacock Music. It is always best to call ahead and make sure they haven't run out - and they will always order more)

6th Grade: "SOUND INNOVATIONS for Concert Band - Beginning" (book is blue/white and instrument-specific)

7th-8th Grade: "FOUNDATIONS FOR SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE" (It's a black/purple book)

- **Instrument Care Kits**

Specific to each instrument, these contain supplies needed to properly maintain and care for the instruments (valve/slide oil, slide/cork grease, cleaning cloths/swabs, etc.)

(Wally's Music, Beacock Music, Guitar Center, other music stores keep these care kits in stock - \$15-\$25)

INSTRUMENT-SPECIFIC SUPPLIES:

- **Clarinets and Saxes:** *Always have at least 4-5 reeds in your case. (You can buy them by the box from music stores (Sizes - 6th grade: #2, 7th: #2/#3; 8th: #3)*
- **6th Grade Percussion:** Bell Mallets, Drum Sticks
- **7th/8th Grade Percussion:** Drum Sticks
- **6th Grade Electric Bass:** You will need to bring your own amp to band.

PERFORMANCE ATTIRE

6TH GRADE BEGINNING BAND:

Jeans and Ogden Band t-shirt (order forms will be sent home in the fall)

7TH GRADE BAND / 8TH GRADE ADVANCED BAND:

Black & White Dress Outfits (combination of black and white dress clothes (pants, skirts and dress acceptable) and black shoes)

JAZZ BAND:

Long-Sleeve Black Dress Shirt / Black Pants / Black Shoes

MARCHING BAND:

Marching Band jacket, Ogden Band T-shirt and jeans; order forms for jackets and t-shirts will be sent home soon.

VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Emails will be sent out to parents in advance of events to communicate what help is needed...



MUSIC EVENTS

2018 - 2019

FALL / WINTER

BEACOCK MUSIC INSTRUMENT RENTAL NIGHT (Open to all 6-8 bands students & parents who wish to rent/buy band instruments from a music store.)
Thursday, Sept. 13 (6-7:30 pm, Ogden Cafeteria)

OGDEN INSTRUMENT CHECKOUT (Primarily for 6th graders; Ogden instruments will be checked out to Beginning Band students who have turned in their Ogden Instrument Rental Form)
(Monday-Tuesday, Sept. 17-18, during Band class)

FALL DRUMLINE (Interested 7/8th Grade Percussion)
Sept. 27, Oct. 1, 4, 8, 15, 18 (7:45-8:30 am, Band Rm)

HOMECOMING PARADE (7-8 Bands)
Friday, Oct. 19 (4:30-6 pm, Gardiner MS to Jackson)

OGDEN WINTER CONCERT (All Bands)
Thur, Dec. 13 (7 pm at Jackson Campus Auditorium)

CCC JAZZ BAND FESTIVAL (Jazz Band)
Fri, March 15 (Niemeyer Center, CCC)

SPRING

SPRING DRUMLINE (Interested 6-8 Percussion)
Before-school Rehearsals TBA (7:45-8:30 am)

OCSD BAND FESTIVAL (All Bands: 6-8)
April ? (TBA) (7 pm at OCHS Gym)

CANBY BAND FESTIVAL (Advanced Band)
Tue, April 23 (Canby HS)

OGDEN POPS CONCERT (All Bands and Choirs)
Thur, May 16 (7 pm @ Jackson Campus Auditorium)

TEDDY BEAR PARADE (7-8 Bands)
Saturday, May 18 (Downtown Oregon City)

FLORENCE PARADE (Marching Band: 6-8)
Sunday, May 19 (Florence, OR)

SEATTLE TRIP (Advanced Band, Jazz Band)
Saturday, June 1 (Wild Waves, Music in the Parks)

Reminder: Concerts are considered group-exams. Attendance is required, so please communicate scheduling conflicts prior to the event and illness/emergency/etc. in a timely manner so band grade is not affected.

Above are this year's music events. Some of the events do not have specific dates yet, but as those become available, new updated calendars will be sent home & posted on the Ogden Music website (see first page for web address).