

# Parkers Prairie Public Schools

## Music Department

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### Beginning Band Sign-up Meeting

Dear Parents,

Beginning band is starting soon. Currently the students are being introduced to the sights and sounds of the band instruments in their music classes. Soon they will have the opportunity to try out and select a band instrument to play in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade band.

Your child is at the age when he/she can easily understand the basics of playing a band instrument. By playing an instrument, your child will not just learn notes, but find joy in making music. Being in band also teaches cooperation, listening and working as a group. I encourage all those who are interested in joining band to attend the beginning band sign-up meeting.

The beginning band sign-up meeting will be held on Monday, September 27, from 3:30 to 6:30p.m. At this meeting, I will answer questions about lessons as well as the cost of leasing an instrument. A representative from Eckroth Music will be on hand to offer a lease program. The cost to lease flutes and clarinets is \$25.00 Trumpets and trombones are \$29, saxophones cost \$45.00 to lease. We will also have options for using school instruments.

I hope to meet all the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents at our sign-up meeting on September 27 and help you get a great start to your band experience. Thank you for all the support and encouragement that you give to your child/children to help them succeed in school and in life.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about your child's participation in beginning band please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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