

Department of Music

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Dear Fifth-Grade Band Parent/Guardian,

Fifth grade band is back into the "groove" for 2020 and we would like to share the following updates.

Update #1: Full Band Rehearsals Begin!

5th grade instrumentalists have been working on their new books since the end of October, and they are now ready to begin full band rehearsals! Beginning on Tuesday, January 28th, all 40(ish) band members in fifth grade will meet during their 5th ELO Block from 1:05-1:45p. These rehearsals will continue every "A" day in addition to their small group lessons. This schedule time has been cleared by guidance and will not interfere with any other classes. These rehearsals will allow us to work on performance skills as we prepare for our spring concert. Speaking of...

<u>Update #2: Spring Concert Date is Set for Monday, May 11th at 7:00pm!</u>

Mark your calendars! The evening concert date is set to take place in the High School Auditorium. Students are asked to dress in their "Sunday's Best" clothing for this event. More information to come.

Update #3: Book Money

Just a reminder that your student received a brand-new lesson book at the beginning of the year. If a student has not paid for his/her book by the end of the third marking period, their grade will be affected! Books are \$12.00 and checks can be made payable to Spotts Music.

Update #4: Practicing

Please encourage and help your student develop a daily practice routine. I understand all of our schedules are very busy but 10-15 minutes a night will do wonders for you student's musical development! You are a huge factor in their success!

Lastly, feel free to check our website for regular updates, lesson schedules, and resources (see link below!) Any questions or concerns can be directed to my email. Thank you for your time and for supporting your child's growth through music. Have a great year!

Warmest regards,

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