

## **2022 HMS Beginning Band Parent Meeting**

### **BEST CLASS OF THE DAY**

Surveys of last year's 6th graders said that band was their favorite class to come to and that they LOVE our class. It is the best compliment we can ask for!

We like to have lots of fun with the kids!

### **YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO BE TERRIBLE AT FIRST**

- Don't remember learning to walk
- It WILL get better
- ...but not for a while
  - ...especially if your child plays clarinet

### **INSTRUMENTS AT HOME**

- Not yet...
- MOST classes will send home something sometime during 3rd or 4th FULL week
- We wait until kids can demonstrate good habits – different for different instruments

### **BEST THING YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR CHILD**

- Lessons [Private Lesson Enrollment Link](#)
  - Instrument specific instruction by expert
  - Instruction built around YOUR child
  - Build confidence on their instrument
  - Build strong relationship with their teacher
  - Important to sign up at beginning of the year to get a spot
  - Kids last year that waited until "they needed it"
    - No spots left, No teachers available

### **GRADING ...YOU CAN FAIL BAND...**


- ***Performances and Tests - 40%***

Includes both written and playing tests, concert attendance and contests. Students will be graded on supplies, punctuality and concert dress.
- Chair tests
  - Once we get started, this will be weekly
  - Play in front of the class - helps students learn to control nerves from day one
  - Performance based class
- ***Daily Participation - 30%***

Includes: Instrument, Music, Supplies, Class Work, Assignment Sheets, Attitude and Participation.

  - Reeds - 4 GOOD reeds at all time in reed guard

- **Practice Records - 30%**

- 180 minutes/week due every Thursday with parent signature
- Will start small, and work up to 180 mins
- Have them play for you at home!!!
- All instruments should be taken home every day.
- Have a practice spot set up!
- Link to example:  Practice Records 22-23 (1st Six Weeks)

## **SUPPLIES**

- Can be found on the website by instrument
- Both supplies for instrument and for class (pencils, highlighters, pencil bag, binder, dividers)

## **LOCKS**

- It is the responsibility of the parents to provide locks for the lockers
- NO KEY LOCKS - only combination
- Students will turn that combination into us in case they forget
- French Horn, Euphonium, Tuba and Percussion do not need to provide locks because they SHARE lockers. HMS BAND will provide their locks

## **CONCERTS – Google Calendar** *2022-2023 HMS Band Calendar*

- Winter concert (Thurs, Dec 8th, 2022)
- Spring concert (Thurs, May 11th, 2023)
- BRACES

## **SHIRTS**

- \$15 per shirt – pay online below
- All students are required to have a Band T-Shirt! This is their UNIFORM!
- Link to Order Form/Payment below under “FORMS TO BE COMPLETED”

## **FUNDRAISER**

- Donation Fundraiser
  - \$50,000 Goal
  - August 29, 2022, HMS Cafeteria
  - Online link we can share with friends and family


## **PARENT VOLUNTEERS**

- Must be approved by LISD (<http://www.leanderisd.org>)
- Solo and Ensemble Contest
- Spring trip

## COMMUNICATION

- Email
  - Add us to your email contacts
  - [Robert.Herrings@leanderisd.org](mailto:Robert.Herrings@leanderisd.org), [Katherine.Norris@leanderisd.org](mailto:Katherine.Norris@leanderisd.org), [AaronR.Sanchez@leanderisd.org](mailto:AaronR.Sanchez@leanderisd.org), [Hector.Gil@leanderisd.org](mailto:Hector.Gil@leanderisd.org)
  - If you see an email from us, READ IT!
  - Who is your child??
- Remind
  - Populated by cell numbers listed in the gradebook
  - Will attach emails via text for time sensitive information or questions
- Google Classroom
  - Assignments posted
  - Can see what your student have submitted...or hasn't

## HOW TO GET INFORMATION

- Website: [Henry Band](#)
- Google calendar  **2022-2023 HMS Band Calendar**
- Facebook page – Henry MS Band

## WISHLIST

- [Amazon Wishlist](#)



## BAND HANDBOOK

-  HMS Band Handbook 22-23.docx

### Forms to be completed:

- [Handbook Acknowledgement Form](#)
- [Calendar Acknowledgement Form](#)
- [T-Shirt Order Form](#)

## RANK ONE

- THESE ARE REQUIRED LISD FORMS THAT MUST BE FILLED OUT
- EVERYONE must fill out the Instrument Usage Agreement Form in RankOne
- Rank One Presentation:  Rank One Presentation.pdf
- Rank One Instruction Sheet:  HMS Rank One Instructions
- Rank One Login: [Rank One Login](#)

## SCHOOL OWNED INSTRUMENTS (PAYMENT AND CONTRACTS)

- School owned instruments get contracts the first week of school.
  - \$100 (x2 for TUBA home instruments) district usage fee due by first Friday of school
    - Pay online tonight: [HMS School Instrument Maintenance Fee](#)
  - School owned instruments MUST document in writing and photos of damage that you see
  - Repair and damage is your responsibility