



Oakleaf Jr. High School Yellow Jacket Band

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www.oakleafband.com / BAND INFO & UPDATES: <https://www.facebook.com/oakleafyellowjacketband>

Packet for 6th Grade Beginning Band

This packet includes the following:

1. Brief description of the process
2. Band calendar/fees/communication
3. Band student info form- please sign, cut, & return
4. County required COVID19 release form- please sign & return
5. Virtual flyer

The process for “fitting” a student to a band instrument is very unique and fun. The experience of the Band Director is very critical to this “fitting” process because getting ‘it’ wrong can be frustrating to the student in their musical journey. Most students can be fitted to most instruments. But, there are a few instruments that require specific physical qualities in order for success. We ask parents to trust the process and to not allow their past experiences to influence the “fitting” process.

*The list of instruments and their descriptions can be found here:

http://www.oakleafband.com/uploads/1/1/6/9/116934505/beginning_band_eval_for_instr_placement.pdf

BAND IS FUN!!! But- There is an Academic Commitment AND a Financial Commitment.

2020-2021 BAND FEES for Beginning Band

Band fees are the amount that each student is responsible for contributing to the band program.

This fee (fair-share) pays for band shirts, music, in class supplies, state and district musician fees, & other miscellaneous items that every band is responsible for in order to exist and perform.

Please let me know if other financial arrangements need to be made. --Please contact Mr. Summers if you need more time to get the fees in... it's not a problem, I just need to know.

→Please Note: The band fee does NOT go to a music store and IS separate from your rental agreement with a music store. The rental agreement is between you and the music store. Also, The Band Fee does not include the yearly \$100 rental for school instruments.***

***Beginning Band 2020-21 → \$120 [Due on August 31]**

*Parents must provide the band instrument and instrument care supplies listed on the REQUIRED INSTRUMENT LIST, through Costello's Music (904-579-3723), Music and Arts Store (904-292-9705), or any approved music store. Please check the 'Required Instrument' form for acceptable brands.

*Note: Please provide the following for your child for the concerts:

UNIFORM- black band polo (included in band fees), black dress shoes, black dress socks, and black pants.

*Note: shirt sizes come in: Adult Xsmall, Adult S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL

******I repeat --- there is a separate form that will list all supplies / instrument stuff you will need to get from the music store. I will pass that out during the first week of school after I have determined what instrument your student going to play.***

Band Calendar is on the back → → →

Beginning Band Calendar of Events 2020-2021

The Band Calendar will be updated when necessary; so check the band website or Facebook often.

*8/21- from 9am-3pm- parents pick up info packet.

*8/24- from 9am-3pm- instrument fitting/parents wait in the vehicle/turn in student info form & COVID19 waiver
-OR-

*8/25- from 4-4:30pm- instrument fitting/parents wait in the vehicle/turn in student info form & COVID19 waiver

**Starting August 31, attend every Monday & Tuesday band class from 4:00-5pm. No class when there is a school holiday.*

→*8/31? at 5:30pm- **Mandatory Beginning Band Parent Meeting.** This is the time when you will be given detailed info on how to get band instruments/supplies for your child. Students will know what instrument they will be playing by this date--- exciting!!!
(REQUIRED EVENT)

→*8/31- yearly fair-share Band Fee due (\$120) / +\$100 yearly rental if using a school instrument. --**Please contact Mr. Summers if you need more time to get the fees in... it's not a problem, I just need to know.**

*9/8 (day after Labor Day)- Beginning Band should have ALL their instruments & supplies needed for Band or schedules will need to be changed.

*12/11 (Friday)- 3:50-6pm BB- Mandatory Rehearsal after school & before band concert that night (REQUIRED EVENT)

*12/11 (Friday)- 6:00pm- Band Concert / (REQUIRED EVENT)

*Month of February- Auditions for all band students for next year's Bands (REQUIRED EVENT)

*4/30 (Friday) - 3:50-6pm BB- Mandatory Rehearsal after school & before band concert that night (REQUIRED EVENT)

*4/30 (Friday)- 6:00pm- Band Concert & Awards / (REQUIRED EVENT)

****COMMUNICATION- Feel free to call or email us. The Oakleaf Jr High Band has a website and we use Facebook for announcements and updates- please like and follow. All of our contact info is on the other side of this page at the top ☺**

Student info form / Please cut and return- thank you ☺

Student Name _____ Student school ID (if applicable) _____

Parent(s) Name(s) _____ Phone _____

Current Elementary School _____