

Wilson MS Band

Beginner Band Information

We believe that all people look for something to be a part of that is successful and positive...we provide that place!

*Ray Hilley, Chad Waterman and Nicole Sandoval
Directors*



Come be part of the Success!!!

Band is a chance to unlock the musician inside and free the talent everyone has. It is a time to make new friends, see new places and soar to new heights!



All district Band concert!

Band is not just a subject. It is music, it is fun. It is something we do that can unite our school and our community. Band isn't a subject it is a LIFESTYLE!

8th Grade Clarinet



In its brief existence, the Wilson Band is well on its way to establishing itself as one of the most successful organizations in the Northwest ISD.

The success we have enjoyed as a group is a direct reflection of the discipline and fundamentals taught in the Beginner Band at Wilson Middle School.

Under the direction of Ray Hilley, Chad Waterman and Nicole Sandoval, students are offered instruction on Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, and Percussion.

We hope that many of the questions you have about signing up, acquiring an instrument, and requirements for participation will be answered by this publication. If not, please do not hesitate to contact us. We will be more than happy to answer your questions!

Musically yours,

Ray Hilley, Chad Waterman and Nicole Sandoval

Band Rocks!!!

Band? Those instruments look EXPENSIVE!

Yes, any brand new musical instrument can be expensive! Luckily, through the help of local music stores, your child's instrument can be rented for the 6th grade year with no obligation or commitment to buy. Rental prices vary from instrument to instrument, but the average rental price for a band instrument is around \$35. We also provide "school owned" instruments in the case of the larger more expensive instruments. (Tuba, Euphonium, Horn, Oboe and Bassoon)

Options are available for families who are financially unable to rent an instrument. We never want money to be a factor in a child's musical future.





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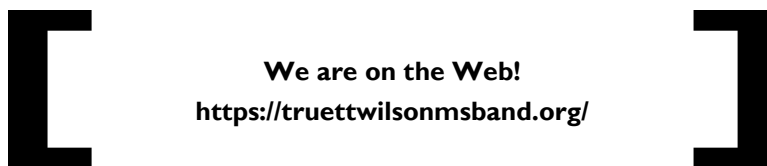
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10 Important Skills Your Child Learns in Band

- Self-confidence** Being able to go from learning notes and rhythms to produce meaningful music instills in your child a sense of accomplishment and self-confidence.
- Coordination** Hand, eye, body, posture and thought all working together are the ingredients for playing an instrument. These coordination skills transfer to many other aspects of life.
- Teamwork** Every child wants to be part of a group. Band allows everyone to belong by being an important part of the team. There is no "bench" in band. Everyone is a starter!
- Comprehension** Learning to perceive and derive meaning from musical sounds sharpens your child's ability to comprehend abstract thoughts.
- Problem solving** Learning the basics of music language and interpreting a work through performance teaches your child the ability to understand a problem and reach an appropriate solution
- Discipline** Learning all the basics of music and then applying them correctly takes perception and discipline. Through this discipline, students develop stronger organizational skills.
- Art Appreciation** The words beauty, serenity, and excitement come to life with each musical experience. These feelings help every child appreciate all forms of the arts.
- Reasoning** When your child learns to analyze a musical work from all perspectives or to improvise within a certain musical style, both inductive and deductive reasoning grow stronger.
- Communication** Music offers the ability to cultivate our feelings and thoughts through nonverbal means and to recognize how cultures use music for personal use.
- Conceptualization** Your child learns to classify by learning to identify different types and styles of music and to recognize how cultures use music.



iFly fun times!

We start from scratch—no prior experience or knowledge is necessary to join the band.

We will teach you everything you need to know.

We are joining Band...NOW WHAT???

Sign your child up for Beginning Band as your child's first choice on the schedule sheet and return it on time.

Your child will be tested on the actual instruments to see what best suits his or her physical characteristics. The interviews will be held at WMS after the school day on Apr. 16th and 20th from 5:30 - 8:30 pm.

Students interested in percussion will take a special percussion test on April 9th/10th at Eaton HS.

Parents with students interested in auditioning for

percussion will need to email Mr. Moore; Eaton HS Perc. (mmoore04@nisdtx.org) by April 3rd to sign-up for an audition time.

Our Beginner Instrument Drive will be on April 24th from 5:00 - 9:00 pm at the Wilson Middle School Band Hall. This is a come-and-go-as-you-please meeting where you will be able to reserve your instrument and supplies for next year.

Representatives from a local music store will be at our Beginner Drive to assist you in the purchase or

rental of a band instrument and purchase of required accessories. This is the only time we will have them here for your convenience.

All instruments will be delivered to Wilson Middle School in the summer before school begins in August. This is for your convenience and to make sure that all instruments are in perfect working order when we begin.

