



Grade 5 Band Letter #2: Enrollment

Welcome to the SJCS Band program! This page includes important information about beginning band. Please **read it carefully**. Also, the **attached enrollment** sheet must be **returned to school promptly**.

Instrument selection: Your child is interested in the

- Flute Clarinet Alto Saxophone Trumpet French horn (private lessons required)
 Trombone Baritone Tuba Orchestra Bells Snare drum (private lessons required)

Student supplies

- The Yamaha Advantage Book 1 (purple cover) for his or her instrument. Available at your local music store. Please call the music store first to confirm availability.
- Please purchase a supply kit for your instrument at any local music store.
- Four mechanical pencils and two colors of highlighter should be kept in your child's instrument case or folder for the entire year.
- One set of 50 spiral bound note cards should have been purchased with the back-to-school supplies.

Practice

- 90 minutes/week minimum
- Practice sheets must be completed and turned in weekly.
- **Please help your child be successful by arranging and keeping a daily practice routine.**

Concerts and rehearsals

- All concerts are required: November 20 (Friday; Christmas Concert), May 21 (Friday; Concert on the Green). Watch the Tiger Tracks for details.
- Rehearsals are held during school hours on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Attendance is required.

Evaluation

- Letter grades are given to band students based on their skills, music theory knowledge, practice habits, posture, concert attendance and responsibility with instrument and music.

Student Commitment

- School policy states that band commitment is for the entire school year. Band participation may be terminated **ONLY** at the semester with the agreement of student, teacher, parent, and administrator.

My commitment

I am committed to the SJCS band program. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Mrs. Baham

Mrs. Jennifer Baham
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*** Beginning Band (Grade 5) Enrollment 2009 ***

- Student name _____
- Instrument Choice _____ (Reminder: French horn and snare drum require private lessons outside of school time.)

 _____ We already have an instrument.
 _____ We are currently looking for an instrument and hope to have it within the next week. (Call me if you need help. The school has a few instruments available.)
- Parent/Guardian phone number(s) _____
- **Student signatures** (Please sign each one.):
 - 1) I understand that being in band requires responsibility and discipline. I will cooperate during rehearsal. _____
 - 2) I will set up a daily practice schedule with my parents. _____
 - 3) I understand I am required to practice at least 90 minutes every week. _____
 - 4) I will bring a pencil and two highlighters to EVERY band rehearsal. It is my responsibility. _____
- **Parent signature:**
 - 1) I understand that my child's commitment to band is for the entire school year.
 - 2) I will take the time to set up a practice routine with my child. (Find a specific time that can be used every day.)
 - 3) I will encourage my child to practice daily.
 - 4) I will order/purchase the book and supplies listed above by September 8.
 - 5) I understand that concert attendance is required: November 20 (Christmas Concert), May 21 (Concert on the Green).
 - 6) If my child chooses snare drum or French horn, I understand that private lessons are required during the Grade 5 school year.

(Parent/guardian signature)

(Date)

Return this form to Mrs. Baham. Deadline is Friday, August 28.

