

FSA Wind Ensemble (Band)

We are exciting to announce the start of the FSA Wind Ensemble (also known as band) for fourth - eighth grade students! The instruments will include flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, and percussion. The ensemble will be directed by Chris Willoughby.

We will meet in the mornings before school in the Community Meeting Room for rehearsals.
Mondays and Wednesdays, 7:00 am - 6th-8th grades
Tuesdays and Thursdays - 7:00 am - 4th-5th grades

Parents are responsible for instrument rental and materials, but the school will not charge any additional fees. Atlanta Band Center is our partner for rentals, materials, and repairs. The cost for renting flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone, and percussion is \$12.40 for the first two months and \$36.16/month after that (including tax and optional repair coverage). The cost for renting alto saxophone is \$19.80 for the first two months and \$52.20/month after that (including tax and optional repair coverage). You will also need to purchase a book (\$10), a portable music stand (\$16), and a starter/cleaning kit (\$16). Parents are also welcome to purchase high quality instruments from Atlanta Band Center if they prefer.

We are working to set up a time for students to try out different instruments and for parents to start the rental process. We will meet at one of these two times:

**Tuesday, September 18, 7:00 - 8:30 am (CMR) or
Friday, September 21, 3:30 - 4:30 pm (CMR)**

We will let you know ASAP when the meeting is scheduled.

We do want the cost of the program to be a deterrent to anyone. Please contact Elsie Santway in the business office if there is a financial need.

Please email Chris Willoughby if your student is interested in joining the Wind Ensemble. Also, do not hesitate to email Chris with any questions or comments.

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