



## Pentucket Elementary Instrumental Music

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Dear Parents,

The Pentucket Schools have an exciting and growing instrumental music program and we hope that your child will choose to participate this year.

Students in grades 4-6 are eligible to take lessons on the following instruments:

BAND —flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, percussion (bells only for first year students, snare and bass drum added during second year of study)

ORCHESTRA (strings) —violin, viola, cello

Each student enrolled in the program will receive a weekly 30-minute group lesson and take part in one ensemble time (band or orchestra.) Instruction will begin the week of October 5.

The registration fee for the program is \$100 for the entire school year. **This is a fantastic deal!** This is HALF the amount that Pentucket has charged in past years! Please take full advantage of our excellent instruction at an affordable price!

Here's what you need to do to participate:

1. **Fill out the attached registration form** and bring it into school by Thursday, September 24 with a check for \$100 made out to PRSD.
2. **Obtain an instrument.** Come to our "Instrument Rental Night" on Wednesday, September 23 at 6:30 PM at the middle school. Please do NOT go online and purchase a cheap instrument!! There is a lot of junk for sale, especially online, and we want to ensure your child's success by having a good quality instrument. We highly recommend the rent-to-own program that our vendors offer!
3. **Purchase the lesson book** and accessories required for your instrument. All of these items will be available from the vendors at Instrument Rental Night.

No students will be allowed to attend lessons until the registration form and fee (paid in full) are received. Each student must also have an instrument and a book in order to attend lessons.

The lesson and ensemble schedule beginning the week of October 5 is as follows:

Page School -Wednesday

Bagnall School-Thursday

Donaghue School-Friday

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Please note that we are unable to fit in all lessons on the day that is listed, so there will be just a few classes that have their lessons on Monday or Tuesday, but have their ensemble rehearsal (band or orchestra) on the day listed above.

The music department is “going green” and most communication about the program will take place via email and the district’s Music Department website.

Go to **pentucketmusic.com** and look under the elementary dropdown menu for the following information:

- Instrument rental information and price list
- Application for a PRSD Loaner Instrument- We have a very limited selection of instruments that are available for you to borrow for the year.
- Scholarship Application- If you wish to apply for a scholarship to help with the registration fee, please fill out and submit the application no later than September 24.

**The group performances are a vital part of this program. Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend the following events:**

- **Rehearsal for Winter Concert**, December 7, 6:30 PM (Grade 5/6 Band and Grade 5/6 Orchestra only)
- **Winter Concert**, December 16 (snow date 12/17), 7:00 PM, High School (Grade 5/6 Band and Grade 5/6 Orchestra only)
- **Rehearsal for Spring Events**, May 16, 6:30 PM (ALL bands and ALL orchestras)
- **Band Jamboree**, May 24, 7:00 PM, High School (Grade 4 Band and Grade 5/6 Bands only)
- **All-District Strings Concert**, May 31, 7:00 PM, High School (Grade 4 Orchestra and Grade 5/6 Orchestras only)
- **Band Tour**, June 7, (Grade 5/6 Band and Grade 5/6 Orchestra only)

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have at **aguerriero@prsd.org**.

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