

6th grade band meets EACH DAY
from 11:50 – 12:25 in the band room.

- **Daily attendance**

After lunch recess, all band students will immediately go down to the band room when line-up is called (they will not line up with their class). You will need to wash your hands and get a drink of water. You can do this in the JH wing to avoid lines with the rest of the 5th and 6th grade students. **You are expected to be in the band room at 11:50.** Three tardy marks in a 9-week period will result in a discipline referral.

- **Does your instrument need repair?**

If so, please get it taken care of asap so you can move forward without your instrument holding you back!

- **Do you need any of the following supplies?**

- **Lesson book** from last year (*Sound Innovations*)

- **Woodwinds** – you are expected to have the following:

- Reeds and reed case (oboe, clarinet, sax only)
- Cork grease (oboe, clarinet, sax only)
- Swab (to clean the inside of the instrument)
- Cleaning and/or polishing cloth for the outside of the instrument

- **Brass** – you are expected to have the following:

- Valve oil (trumpet, horn, baritone, tuba only)
- Slide oil (trombone only)
- Tuning slide grease
- Cleaning and/or polishing cloth for the outside of the instrument

- **Percussion** – you are expected to have the following:

- Drum sticks – NO SMALLER THAN 5A!!!! w/ wood tip (not nylon)
- It is also recommended that you purchase your own mallets and a stick bag for future use.

- **Other supplies** (optional):

- Mouthpiece cleaning brush (clarinet, sax, and all brass)
- Woodwind dust brush
- Valve brush (trumpet, horn, baritone, tuba only)
- Cleaning snake (all brass)
- Tuner
- Metronome

➤ **Please get the materials you need to properly maintain your instrument.** Let me know if you need help in ordering these items. I can often order them for you, but you must pay me for them before I can give it to you!

➤ Any student that was in band last year, but feels they **do not want to or cannot be in band** this year, **MUST** come see Mrs. Norrington ASAP. I will not drop a student from this class without parent approval.

➤ After the “dust settles” of the new school year, I will send home the band handbook that provides greater detail regarding procedures and expectations.

➤ **This year’s performance calendar** is ON THE BACK! PLEASE mark your calendars!

2011 - 2012 6th Grade Band Performance Schedule

Details for performances will be sent home prior to each event.

- **Oct. 10th** **IMEA Auditions @ Highland Elem. School**
(Only students that have prepared for the audition)

- **Oct. 3rd** **6th grade Fall Concert (required)**
7pm performance - CIS gym

- **Nov. 5th** **IMEA District Festival @ SIUC**
(For those that qualified from Oct. auditions)

- **Dec. 13th** **Holiday Concerts (required)**
Times & Location TBA

- **Feb or Mar. TBA** **IGSMA solo/ensemble contest**
(Any student who has actively prepared and demonstrated this to the director may participate).

- **Mar or Apr TBA** **IGSMA Organization contest**
(I have not yet decided if we will participate. If we do, this will be a required performance)

- **May TBA** **IGSMA solo/ensemble STATE contest**
(qualifying students only)

- **May 10th** **5-12 Band Spring Concert (required)**
7pm performance

- **May 15th** **5/6 Grade Spring Concert (required)**
1:00 performance

**Dates listed TBA means that those dates have not yet been set by the IGSMA. We will meet in October to decide these events.*

Other Important Music Department Performance Dates

Dec. 1st	-	JH Band & Chorus Holiday Concert
Dec. 8th	-	HS Band & Chorus Holiday Concert
March 30-31	-	HS Musical
May 8th	-	Spring Chorus Concert (JH & HS)
8/6 - 8/10	-	2012 Marching Lions Camp
