

The STALEY BAND

Believe it or not– it’s already time to start thinking about middle school! One of the biggest decisions your family will need to make is what elective your child chooses for next year. Unlike elementary school, your 6th grade elective will meet EVERY day all year long. We hope you consider choosing band as sixth grade is THE BEST time to join us and see what we are all about. We have some amazing things planned for next year, and we don’t want anyone to miss out on the fun! The best source for information can be found at:

www.staleyband.org/join

There are only TWO steps to joining band– visit the website or scan the QR code for more info



1) Turn in your schedule card and mark band as your #1 elective choice. You are now enrolled in band! Step two can happen before or after course cards are turned in– but this step matters the most when choosing your elective for next year– mark Band #1 and you are in band!!!

The counselors will place your child in a generic ‘band period’ class until we have a chance to place your child on an instrument choice. Think of it like the sorting hat in Harry Potter– they are enrolled in Hogwarts but are waiting to find out what house they are placed in. Our ‘Houses’ in band are Woodwind, Brass, & Percussion!



2) Attend our annual ‘Instrument Carnival’. This is where your child has an opportunity to work 1-on-1 with a band director to help them find which of the ELEVEN instrument choices are best for them. Which so many options we know we will find the perfect fit for them! This year our Carnival dates are **2/23 and 3/23**. If neither of those days work we can set up an appointment!

All students are welcome to come (even if they are not sure about signing up for band), but we ask that you reserve a time slot on the website listed above. The carnival is THE BEST time to meet with the band staff as the counselors cannot finalize your schedule until we tell them what instrument your child was placed on.

- Ms. Hoffman teaches the ‘Woodwind House’ and these instruments include Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet, & Saxophone.
- Mr. Wood teaches the ‘Brass House’ and these instruments include Trumpet, Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, & Tuba.
- Mr. Seymour teaches the ‘Percussion House’ and this class includes both ‘drums’ (like snare and bass drum) and mallets.



3) Finished! After you are placed on an instrument you have until the start of the school year to start getting supplies and an instrument. If you have financial concerns we are here to help! We have an amazing booster club to help make band affordable for ALL families!

Questions? Visit the website above and click on the ‘FAQ’ link or email Mr. Wood at woodc@friscoisd.org.



INSTRUMENT



CARNIVAL

We hope to see you at one of our two carnival dates- 2/23 or 3/23!