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## WELCOME

to the Lincoln Middle School  
Band Program

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The Lincoln Middle School Band Program has been carefully developed and structured to benefit students in a positive manner.

Participation as a band student results in more than simply learning to perform with a musical instrument. Students attain high levels of self-expression, creativity, discipline, cooperation and achievement through the study and performance of music. LMS Bands promote the development of skills necessary for success in all future music and non-music endeavors.

Music participation enhances and promotes respect for self as well as others, problem-solving, teamwork, goal-setting, self-expression, coordination, memory skills, self-confidence, self-esteem, concentration, commitment, and a multitude of other skills and attitudes which prepare students to succeed in the world around them.

The LMS Band Program offers opportunities for shared family experiences, including attendance at musical events, playing music together as a family, performing with family and friends, and the sense of accomplishment and pride for those activities.

I welcome your support as we begin this journey of learning music together. Please email me with any questions you may have!

Sincerely,  
Mr. Covill

## Lincoln Middle School Instrumental Music Department BANDS!

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## Lincoln Middle School Instrumental Music Department

6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
**BAND!**

**Mr. Covill**  
Director of Bands

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### Visit our BAND website!

Our BAND website has lots of information pertaining to the Lincoln Middle School Band Program.

The main thing to check out would be the “**How To Buy An Instrument**” page. All of the instruments are listed and have wonderful advice for parents about the ins and outs of purchasing or renting instruments. Please try to stay away from ebay or sites where the deals sound too good to be true. Usually the instruments that are sold there are incredibly poor instruments and your child will not sound good no matter how much they practice.

**Required Instruments-** These are the instruments that should be available through any of the local music stores listed on the band website. These instruments should last through high school and beyond. Please make sure you order the brands/supplies/items that I have listed. There are other brands that are ok to have. Please contact Mr. Covill about another brand that is NOT listed. If your family owns an instrument, please let him look at it to see if it needs any repairs, and to make sure it will blend with the other instruments.

*BE VERY CAREFUL AND DO NOT PURCHASE BAND INSTRUMENTS AT CERTAIN STORES THAT ARE NOT MUSIC STORES---THOSE INSTRUMENTS ARE CLOSER TO BEING A TOY AND NOT A LEGITIMATE BAND INSTRUMENT.*



## All 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Students Need an Instrument and Music Book!

The required instruments are listed below. Everyone is expected to purchase an “Accent on Achievement” – book 1 for their instrument.

### Flute

**Brands:** Gemeinhardt, Yamaha, Jupiter, Artley, Armstrong

### Clarinet/Bass Clarinet

**Brands:** Yamaha, Selmer, Buffet, Vito, Bundy  
**Reeds:** Vandoren 2. After the 1st box, switch to size 2 ½. Go ahead and purchase the box of reeds.

### Saxophone (Alto or Tenor)

**Brands:** Yamaha, Selmer, Keilwerth, Conn  
**Reeds:** Vandoren 2. After the 1st box, switch to size 2 ½. Go ahead and purchase the box of reeds.

### French Horn

**Brands:** Yamaha, Conn, or Holton, Bach  
**Mouthpiece:** Holton MDC Farkas model

### Trumpet

**Brands:** Bach, Yamaha, Conn-Selmer, King, Getzen, Jupiter  
**Mouthpiece:** 3C

### Trombone

**Brands:** Bach, Conn, Yamaha, Jupiter  
**Mouthpiece:** Bach 7C or 9 (standard backbore to fit trombone)

### Baritone/Euphonium

**Brands:** Yamaha or Bach  
**Mouthpiece:** Bach 6 ½ AL (Large Backbore)

### Tuba

**Mouthpiece:** Conn Helleberg 120S

### Percussion (only eight spots)

(Too many “drummers” ruins the balance of the band.)

Pearl Kit w/ practice pad & bells, Model #PK800C - comes w/bell mallets & Vic Firth SD1 sticks.

Vic Firth Combo Pack, Model EP2. –includes stick bag. SD2. M3. M6. T3.

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade beginning band is a wonderful place to start to learn how to play a band instrument. You may choose from any of the instruments listed below.

### Instrument Options

- Flute
- Clarinet
- Alto Saxophone
- Tenor Saxophone
- French Horn
- Trumpet
- Trombone
- Baritone/Euphonium
- Tuba (student model)
- Bell Kit/Practice Pad

*WE NEED LOTS OF  
FLUTES, CLARINETS,  
FRENCH HORNS &  
TROMBONES*