

# Be a Part of the Band

The Page Middle School Band is open for enrollment! Band is a daytime class and does not interfere with any other academic activities or sports at Page Middle. Our schedule allows band students to take band, study hall, and recess in addition to their core classes.

For sixth grade band, no experience at playing an instrument or reading music is required; we will guide you through the process of selecting an instrument and learning to play it.

Seventh grade band is open to students who have completed one year of playing an instrument. Eighth grade band is open to students who have completed two years of playing an instrument. Exceptions can be made to this requirement; please contact the band directors if you are interested.

## Why should I join the band?

Learning to play an instrument is a rewarding and fun experience that offers an outlet for self-expression.

The transition into middle school is much easier when a child is involved in a unifying activity such as band.

Research shows that music students score an average of 52 points higher on the verbal portion and 37 points higher on the math portion of the SAT.

Music education aids students in skills needed in the workplace: flexibility, problem solving, the ability to learn new skills, creativity, and the pursuit of excellence.

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