# Welcome Future Instrumental Parents!!

Who is Your Child's Director?

Mr. Newton	Mr. Green	Mrs. Gordon
Alta Murrieta	Cole Canyon	Curran (Band/Violin)
Antelope Hills	Murrieta El.	Avaxat (Band/Violin)
Buchanan	Mails	Tovashal
Rail Ranch	Monte Vista	

## INTELLECTUAL BENEFITS

### Music is "Food" for the Brain

- One of the few subject matters that engages both sides of the brain simultaneously
- Improves thinking and academic test scores (based on years of research)

## **Goal Setting**

- Teaches discipline
- Determination
- Organizational skills and "follow-through"!

Learning to play a musical instrument IS one way the brain can be engaged fully.

## SOCIAL BENEFITS (other than a lot of FUN! ②)

## **Peer Relationships**

- Acceptance because every child 'fits' in.
- Friendships carry on through high school in Music
- Friends for Life!

#### **Team Work**

- Everyone plays and is an important member!
- Playing in an ensemble IS Teamwork, at all levels of cooperative learning.

### **Confidence Building**

- No one student "sits on the bench"
- Overcoming Challenges Builds confidence and raises self esteem

## Where can Music Lead Your Child?

- ➤ A LIFETIME of enjoyment !!
- > Friends for Life!

➤ Participation in MS!! →







➤ Participation in HS!! →







 $\triangleright$  UNIVERSITY Band or Orchestra  $\rightarrow$  ? ? ? ? ? ? ?

## Instrument Choices

**BRASS** 

WOODWIND

**PERCUSSION** 



## Choosing an Instrument

- Pick an Instrument You are happy with
- Have a 2nd Instrument Choice!
- Band is offered at all schools
- Band/Violin is available at Curran and Avaxat
- We need Trombone and Baritone Players!
- Try them out at your local music store
- ONLINE PURCHASES: when you know what you are looking for specifically.

#### **Percussion**

- One 3 Percussionists PER School, NO EXCEPTIONS
- If Needed, a mini-audition for percussion may be necessary
- HAVE A BACK-UP INSTRUMENT!

## How Do I get an Instrument!



- Renting an Instrument is recommended before purchasing.
- internet purchases when you know the brand you want to get
- Local Music Stores
- Schools have a limited number of baritones, trombones, and bass clarinets available to rent.

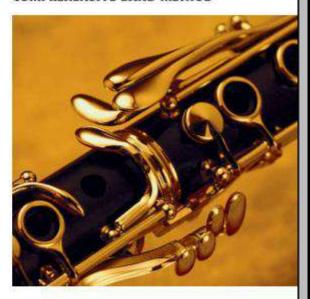
## Needs for Band/Violin

- > Your Instrument!
- Accessories for your instrument (in your welcome packet)
- Method Book
  - "Essential Elements"  $\rightarrow$ Book 1
- ➤ 1" BLACK (only) 3-ring binder



ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS

COMPREHENSIVE BAND METHOD



TIM LAUTZENHEISER
JOHN HIGGINS
CHARLES MENGHINI
PAUL LAVENDER
TOM C. RHODES
DON BIERSCHENK



## Lesson Times

#### When are Lessons?

Pull-Outs: During the school day

\*\*This is a model that is practiced widely across the county

#### **Two Lessons Weekly**

- One Full Rehearsal (All Instruments together)
- One Sectional per week (Individual Sections)

i.e. Flutes alone, Clarinets alone, trombones alone, etc.

## Concert Performance Requirements

It's what Musicians DO and what kids Love to Do... PERFORM!

#### Performances

- Attendance is Expected Mandatory This is a team activity
- Only 3 concerts per year (except Honor Band 1 extra)
- Dates are on Your Schedule

#### Concert Dress- What does my child wear for performances?

- MVUSD Instrumental Music Performance Shirt
- Black pants, skirt, black shoes (NO TENNIS SHOES OR JEANS!)

## **Director Communication**



- EMAIL- PREFERRED.
  - Email is the best way to contact your Director. We check our email several times a day.
  - Faster response



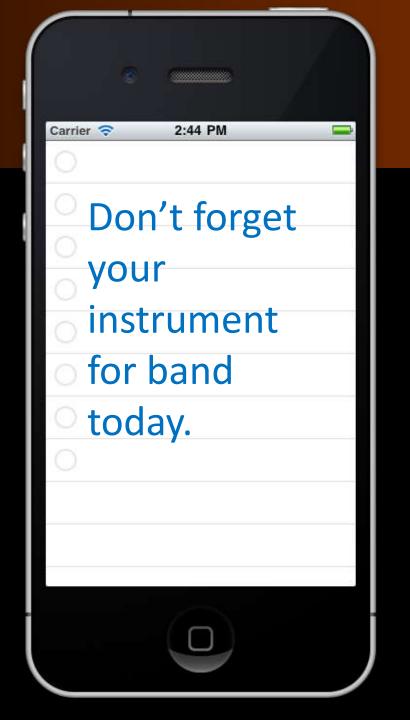
- PHONE MESSAGES Not available.
  - Phone message for traveling teachers isn't practical.
  - NO Response



- "Remind" texting Service
- Mr Newton Schools only: Alta Murrieta, Buchanan, Rail Ranch, Antelope Hills

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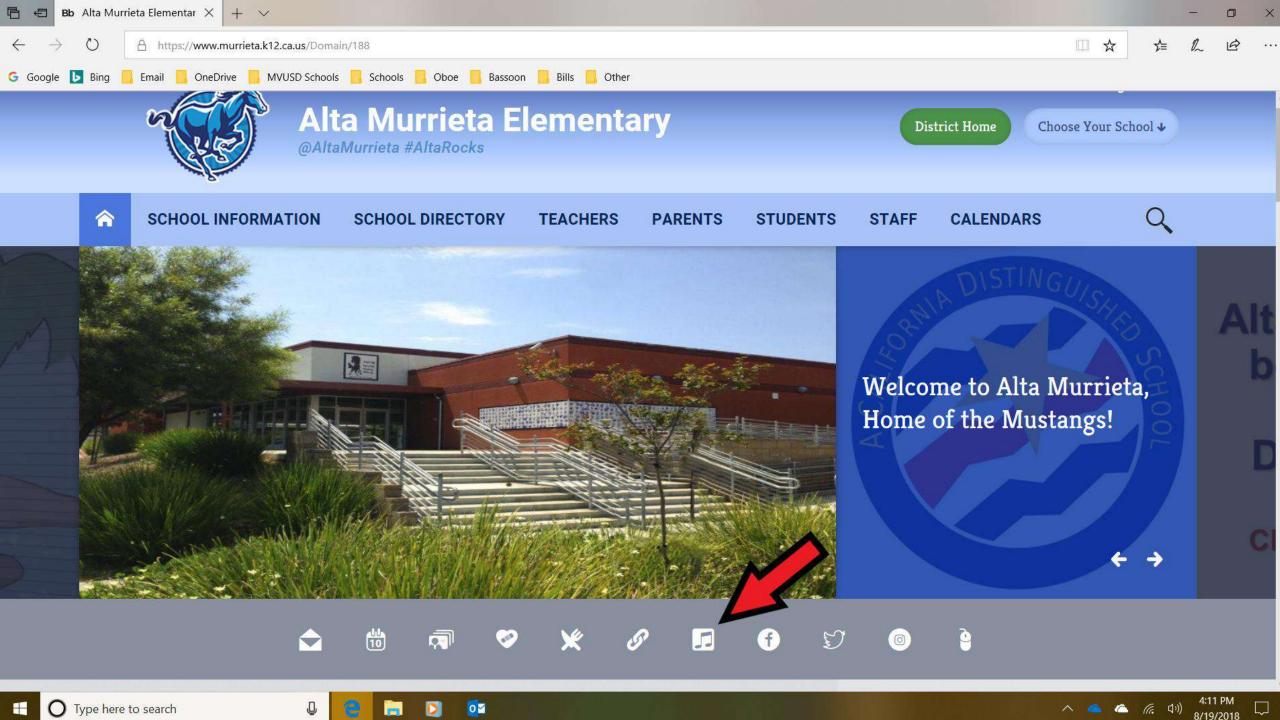
- Remind you and your child about band activities
- Remind upcoming Concerts
- To not forget stuff for band

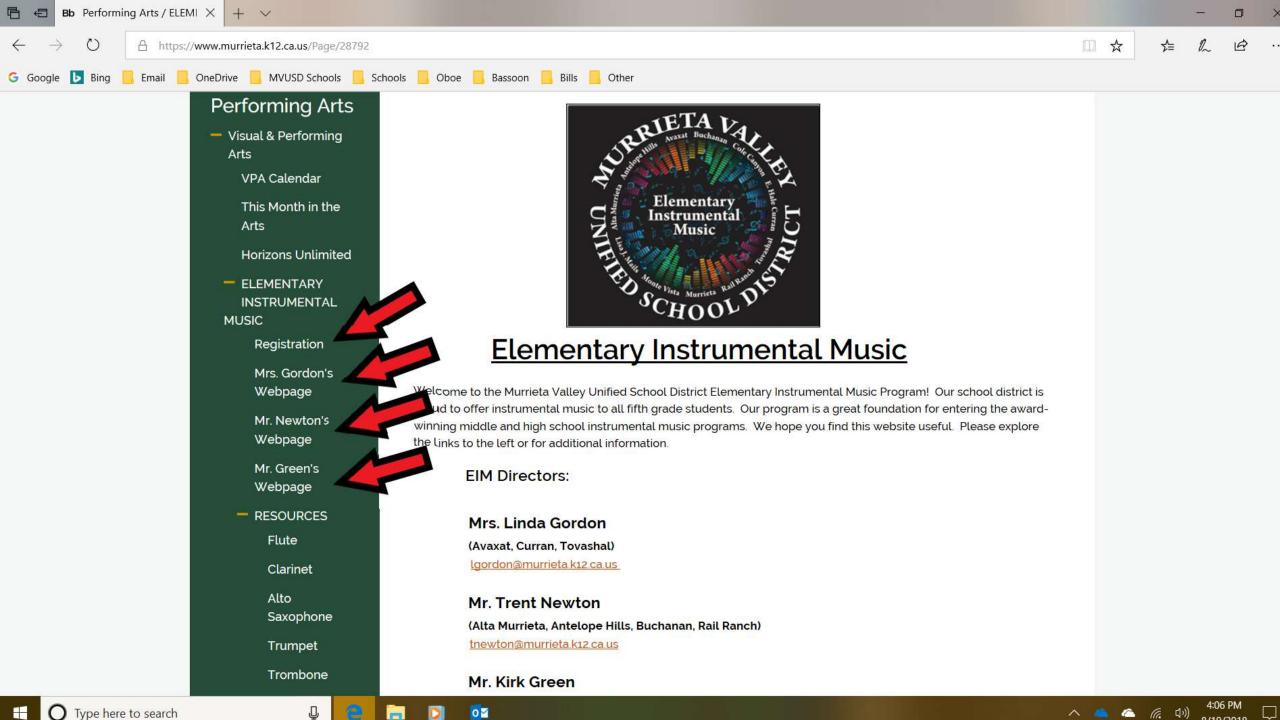


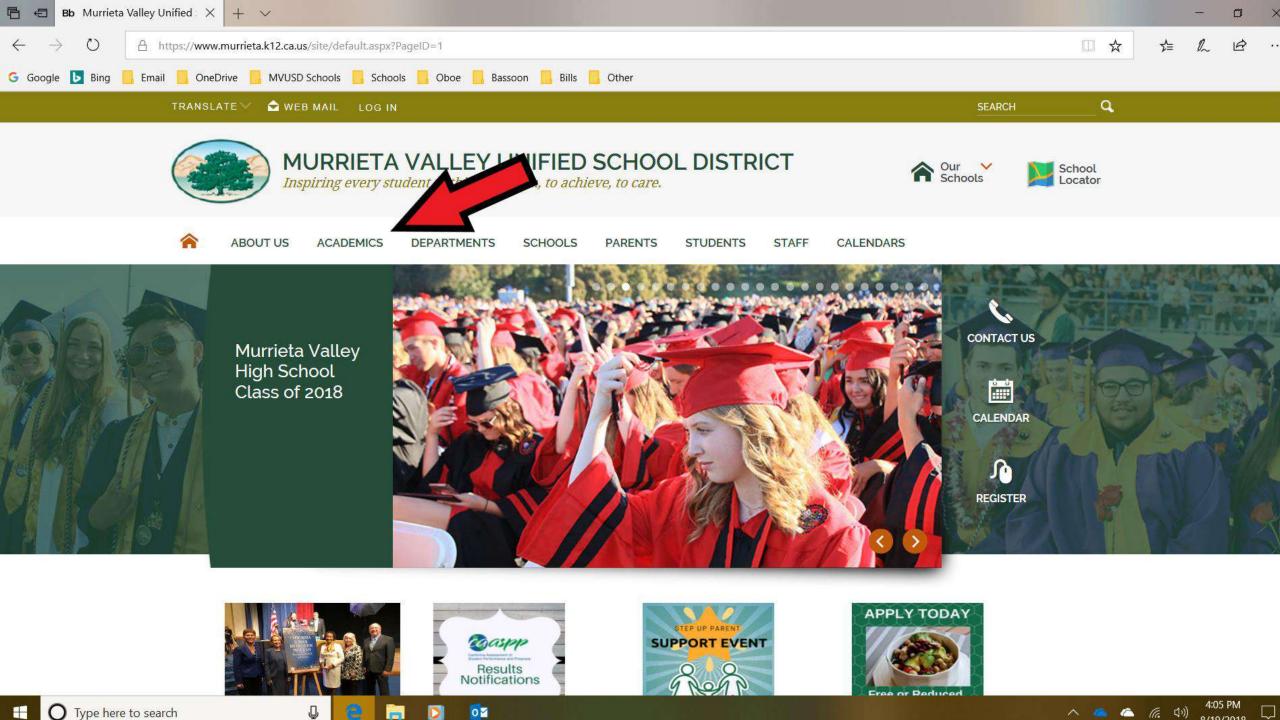
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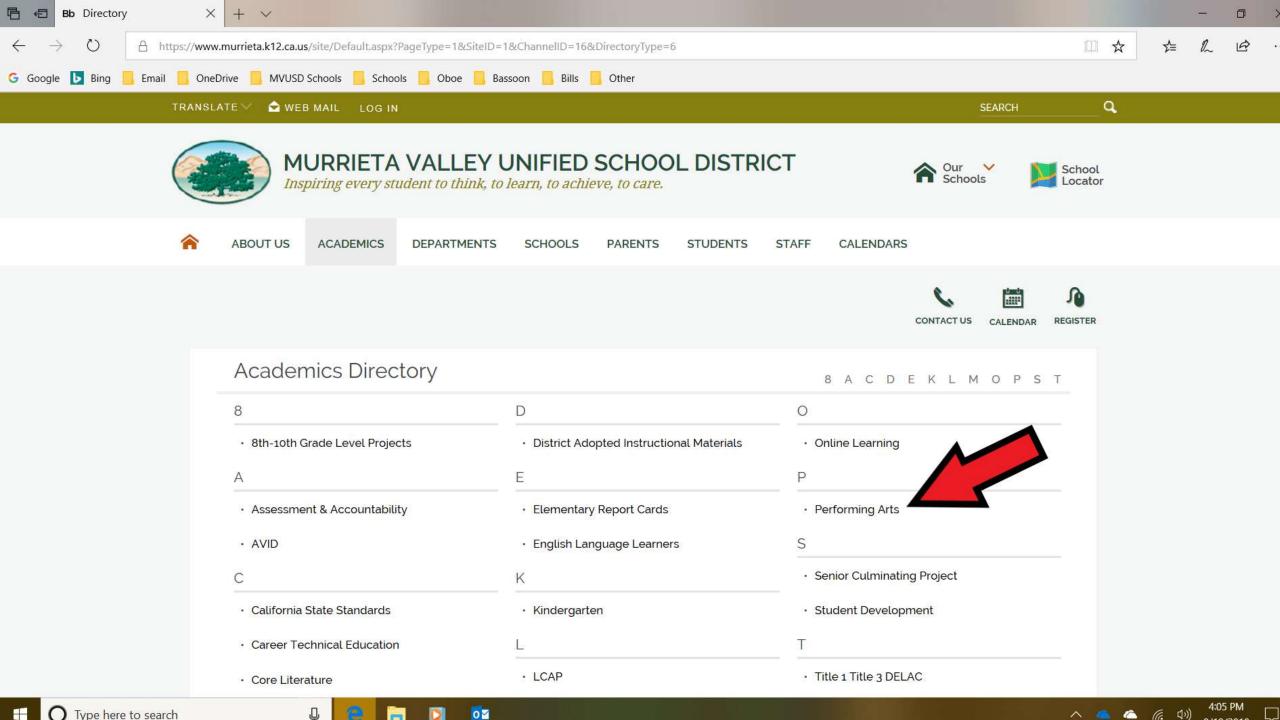
- Current Concert Dates
- > Events Calendar
- Directed Practice Guides
- Student / Parent Resources
- Learning Resources

https://www.murrieta.k12.ca.us/Page/28792









## Register Online ASAP

http://www.murrieta.k12.ca.us/Page/29729

## Questions?

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