

## **Music Electives at Sebastian Middle School**

Students at Sebastian Middle School are fortunate to have a variety of music offerings from which they can choose. All of the music classes provide students the opportunity to learn a life-long skill that is fun, challenging and very rewarding.

### **Guitar I/II/III**

Students will learn the fundamentals of guitar playing which includes reading music notation, playing chords, ensemble playing, improvisation, and much more.

### **Band I/ II/III**

Students will learn the fundamentals of playing a band instrument. Students will focus on developing the correct technical skills needed when playing in a musical ensemble. Students will learn how to read music, understand elements of music theory, improvise, and perform various styles and genres of music.

### **String Orchestra I/II/III**

Students will have the unique opportunity to play violin, viola, cello or bass in a string orchestra. Students will learn how to correctly play a bowed string instrument, read music notation, improvise, and play various styles of music including, fiddle music, classical, jazz, pop, and more.

### **Chorus I/II/III**

Students will learn how to sing correctly in a large vocal ensemble. The class will focus on proper vocal technique, which includes breathing and use of the diaphragm for support, vowel production, diction, and more. Students will also learn how to read music and understand the basics of sol-feg.