

Hello 4<sup>th</sup> grade parents and students!

With 5<sup>th</sup> grade just around the corner, it is time to start thinking about whether or not your student would like to participate in the band program in the Shakopee Public Schools. In the next few weeks, your student will see a short presentation on the band program during their regular music time. This presentation will show your student the different instruments that are available for them to play in 5<sup>th</sup> grade, as well as give them an idea of what would be involved with joining band. The students will also get a chance to hear the current 5<sup>th</sup> graders play their instruments. Band is a great opportunity for your student to develop musical and social skills that can stay with them through adulthood! Here are some important dates:

**March**: Short presentations on band for each classroom. The classroom teachers will also be sending home a beginning band handbook with each student. The handbook has lots of great information on joining band.

March 20<sup>th</sup>: Registration forms are due to classroom teachers. <u>Please return your registration form even if your child will not be participating in band.</u>

**During the month of April**: students who are interested in band will be tested on a few instruments of their choice to determine the best instrument for them to play.

**April 25th:** Beginning Band Display Night Open House (4:00 – 7:30 at the Sun Path cafeteria; come any time) and summer lesson registration.

I'm looking forward to having your student join the band program! Please let me know if you have any other questions!

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Si usted tiene preguntas o le gustaría obtener más información sobre alguna de estas formas, favor de comunicarse con Maya Diaz-Slipka al 952-496-5846 y dejar un mensaje. Se le regresara su llamada lo más pronto posible. ¡Gracias!

Если у Вас возникнут вопросы относительно этой информации или Вам понадобится объяснение на русском языке, пожалуйста, позвоните Светлане Мшар по телефону 952-496-5094 и оставьте ваше сообщение. Вам ответят на звонок вскоре. Спасибо!