



CLAYBURN MIDDLE BAND 2023-24 - FALL INFORMATION LETTER

I am very excited for another year of teaching music at Clayburn Middle and am looking forward to meeting the new Grade 6 band students and returning Grade 7 and 8 Band students. Please read through this information letter carefully as there have been some changes and let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Music Fee and Instruments

There is a fee of \$20 for each student that registers in one or more of the following performance groups: Grade 6/7/8 Band and Jazz Band. This fee covers the cost of purchasing method books, music arrangements and other music supplies. This fee does **not** cover the costs of renting an instrument. Students are **required** to rent their own instrument. Included with this letter is rental information from one of our local music stores. The school does own some of the larger, more costly instruments that are needed in band. The school can provide in limited quantities: clarinet, tuba, baritone, french horn, bari saxophone, double bass and bass clarinets. Please speak with Mr. Long if you would like your child to use a school instrument. These instruments are available at a reduced rental charge to help cover the costs of cleaning and maintaining the instrument. Please contact Mr. Long or the school office regarding financial assistance for school-owned instrument rental and/or the music fee.

Music Program Updates & Information

This year we will be using practice records and email to communicate between home and school. More information will be provided later in September.

Jazz Band

Many students that start in Grade 6 Band continue in Grade 7 and Grade 8. They also have the opportunity to join our Jazz Band. Jazz Band is an extra-curricular performance group that requires a higher level of musical performance skills. It provides an enriched learning opportunity by providing more challenging repertoire and additional performance opportunities to our young and talented band students. Registration for Jazz Band will begin later in September. Unfortunately, Clayburn Middle will no longer be offering a drumline program.

Band PODs and Sign-ups

At Clayburn Middle School, students are organized into PODs. Each POD contains 2-3 class groups of students. Grade 6/7/8 Band students are organized into groups of 15-30 students. Each group of band students will make up part of a POD and be combined with a group of non-band students. All grade 6/7/8 band classes will occur within regular school hours and band pod classroom teachers will accommodate band students with their class schedule to ensure that no instructional time is missed in the regular classroom.

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Music, Clayburn Middle School
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Your Child is playing the following instrument this year:



Day 2, Day 1 ... which Day is it tomorrow?

Band classes are currently scheduled on a Day 1 / Day 2 rotation and therefore occur every other school day. Students should keep track of the “Days” so they know when to bring their instruments to school. Monday is a popular day to forget instruments as students may not remember if it is Day 1 or Day 2, especially after a Pro-D Day or Holiday on Friday.

	Day 1	Day 2
12:30 - 1:25	Grade 6B Band	Grade 6D Band
1:25 - 2:16	Grade 8 Band	Grade 7 Band

Lunch Time Sectionals - Grade 6/7/8 Band - Percussion

Sectionals are currently scheduled to take place at Lunch once per week on an as needed basis. The goal of percussion sectionals is to support our wonderful percussionists in Grade 6/7/8 Band. Unlike wind instrument players, percussionists are learning three different instruments during the first few weeks: snare, bass drum and concert bells. Learning percussion in band is the most challenging instrument especially if you have never played an instrument. That’s why we have lunch time sectionals - So all of our percussionists can get extra support and succeed!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11:27 - 12:10		Grade 6 Percussion (As Needed)	Grade 7 Percussion (As Needed)	Grade 8 Percussion (As Needed)	Jazz Band Rhythm Sectional (As Needed)

Jazz Band Rehearsal Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:15 - 8:15am	*Jazz Band (Additional Rehearsal time slot when needed. Notice will be given.)		Jazz Band		
2:30 - 4:00pm	*Jazz Band (Additional Rehearsal time slot when needed. Notice will be given.)				



Clayburn Middle School

Principal: Mrs. Heather Reid
 Vice-Principal: Mrs. Elizabeth Smoes
 Vice-Principal: Mr. Paul Luongo



Office Staff: Mrs. Debbie Horsman
 Mrs. Marcia Janzen

Hello Music/Band Parents,

Here are the various concerts & events that are either confirmed or tentatively planned for this school year. Please add these dates to your personal calendar and plan accordingly. *Asterisk (*) denotes in-school student only events.*

Date & Time	Time	Location	Music Group(s)	Title & Description	Fee
Online Resource	September 2024	CMS Website	Grade 6/7/8 Band & Jazz Band	Band Orientation Video	N/A
Thursday November 9, 2023	12:30pm	CMS Gym*	Grade 8 Band	Remembrance Day Assembly	N/A
Last week of December 2023	Lunch	CMS Foyer*	Grade 7/8 Band	Holiday Karaoke	N/A
Thursday January 25, 2024	12:30 – 2:00pm	CMS Gym*	Grade 6/7/8 & Jazz Band	Clayburn Middle Spring Concert Dress Rehearsal	N/A
Thursday January 25, 2024	7:00pm - 8:00pm	CMS Gym	Grade 6/7/8 Band & Jazz Band	Winter Celebration	\$0
Monday March 4, 2024	8:00am - 2:00pm	Abby Arts*	Jazz Band	AMEA Jazz Band Day Clinic	\$0
Monday March 4, 2024	7:00pm - 9:00pm	Abby Arts	Jazz Band	AMEA Jazz Band Evening Concert	\$0
First Week of April 2024	7:00pm - 9:00pm	Abby Arts	Grade 7 and/or Grade 8 Band	AMEA Nights of Music – Day of the week will be selected prior to March Break.	\$2-3
April 2024	3-4 Days	Victoria or Whistler	Jazz Band	Annual Jazz Band Trip	\$200 - 300
Monday April 29, 2024	9:00am - 2:00pm	Abby Arts*	Grade 8 Honour Band Students	AMEA Middle School Honour Band Clinic	\$0
Monday April 29, 2024	7:00pm - 9:00pm	Abby Arts	Grade 8 Band	AMEA Middle School Band Concert	\$0
Thursday June 13, 2024	12:30 – 2:00pm	CMS Gym*	Grade 6/7/8 Band & Jazz Band	Clayburn Middle Spring Concert Dress Rehearsal	N/A
Thursday June 13, 2023	7:00pm - 9:00pm	CMS Gym	Grade 6/7/8 Band & Jazz Band	Clayburn Middle Spring Concert	\$0
Friday June 14, 2023	8:00am – 6:00pm	Playland	Grade 6/7/8 Band & Jazz Band	Clayburn Middle Music Year End Celebration	\$40
Friday June 21, 2023	11:30pm – 4:00pm	TBD*	Grade 8 Band	Grade 8 Band Celebration, Awards and Movie	\$0-25



Dear Parent(s),

We're so excited that you have a student enrolled in band class! At King's Music, it is our passion to help beginning musicians make music! That is why, for over 23 years, we have been making renting a band instrument as **easy as possible for parents like you!**

Here's how we do it!

Simple Online Pre-Registration

At kingsmusic.ca, you can rent an instrument from start to finish from the comfort of your own home. **We'll deliver it to your student's school!**

Flexible Payment Plans

We offer **monthly* and yearly plans** that can be paid automatically either by credit card or from a bank account (in-store only w/VOID Cheque).

**The first three months are paid upfront on all monthly contracts*

New & Used Instruments

Whatever your budget, we have an instrument for you!

Our in-house repair shop ensures every instrument is ready to play!

(Used instruments are available on a first-come-first-serve basis)

Rent-to-Own

No one rents forever! Most instruments are paid off in 3 years unless they're returned. In which case no penalties apply! (**first 3 months are non-refundable*)

Buy-Back Policy for Purchases

Get back the price you paid less the monthly rental you would have paid (plus damage costs) when returning a purchased instrument.

Optional Maintenance Coverage

An extra monthly amount so you only pay \$25+tax for repair claims & 15% of the balance owing on lost/stolen instruments.

Ready to get started?

First things first ... **has the student chosen an instrument?** If not, check out our **"Intro to Band"** video at kingsmusic.ca to find the right fit!



Once you know what instrument you want

click the **Rent a Band Instrument** banner on our homepage and follow the instructions from there!

If you have any questions or would like to set up a contract in-store instead of online, please feel free to stop by or call your nearest King's Music.

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Purchase/Rental Prices 2023-2024

We have some of the **lowest prices** available on purchase and rental options for all instruments, with payment plans to suit any budget.

When you rent or purchase an instrument with King's Music, you receive:

- a **25% discount** on future repair services at our full service in-store repair shop
- **1-3 business day** turnaround on repairs
- **Outstanding service** to and from area schools
- a **buy-out option** to pay your contract off early with a discount
- the ability to **transfer to another instrument** with a percentage of rental paid transferred as well

The prices below are based on Jupiter brand. Yamaha and other great brands are also available.

Used instrument price points are based on how long an instrument has been out.

All used instruments are repaired, sanitized and ready to play!

Used instruments are available on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Quality Brand New Instruments

Flutes - \$715 & up - \$26/mo.
Clarinet - \$740 & up - \$27/mo.
Alto Sax - \$1495 & up - \$49/mo.
Tenor Sax - \$1850 & up - \$62/mo.
Trumpet - \$820 & up - \$29/mo.
Trombone - \$945 & up - \$33/mo.
Snare/Bell Kits - \$275/\$345 - \$17/\$19/mo.
Baritone Horn - \$1800 & up - \$60/mo.
French Horn - \$2940 & up - \$92/mo. & up

Used Instruments (as available)

\$399 & up - \$15/\$19/\$22 per month
\$399 & up - \$15/\$19/\$23 per month
\$799 & up - \$30/\$35/\$40/\$45 per month
\$1149 & up - \$40/\$46/\$52/\$57 per month
\$449 & up - \$17/\$21/\$25 per month
\$539 & up - \$18/\$23/\$28 per month
\$190/\$260 - \$12/\$15 per month
\$1049 & up - \$35/\$42/\$48/\$55 per month
As available upon request

Drum sets, oboes, piccolos, bass clarinets, guitars, electric bass guitar packs, violins, cellos & others available.

Please call for pricing.

