## 2023 - 2024 MONTICELLO ACADEMY BAND

## Description:

The Band program offers instruction on woodwind, brass, and percussion instruments, and will develop the skills necessary for long-term student success in middle and high school band programs. Band $A$ is for the absolute beginner. NO EXPERIENCE IS REQURED. Band A students may choose from the following instruments: flute, clarinet, alto saxophone, trumpet, or percussion.

All students will need to purchase or rent their own instrument and equipment once enrollment and instrument selection is confirmed.

## Fee:

- \$450 one-time fee
- Your account will be billed AFTER instrument selection has been completed and confirmed by Ms. Natalie (week of 9/1/23)


## Contact:

- Band Director "Ms. Natalie" Natalie Haworth-Liu


## Band A - Beginner: $4^{\text {th }}$ through $8^{\text {th }}$ Grade

 Interview is required after Pre-Enrollment. Official Enrollment is provisional. Band Director will help students and parents pick which instrument to purchase or rent.| 1. Enrollment process |
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| 2. Fill out the follow-up form sent by Ms. Natalie |
| 3. Week of 8/28/23: meet with Ms. Natalie for instrument consultation |
| 4. 9/1/2023: Receive confirmation of instrument assignment |
| 5.9/11/2023: Deadline to Purchase or rent instrument and recommended <br> supplies. |
| 6. Week of 9/11/2023: Attend rehearsals Monday - Thursday <br> 7. Week of 9/18/2023: Resume Monday/Wednesday Rehearsal schedule |

Schedule (subject to change): *Week of 9/11, only, is M-Th 3:30 PM - 4:20 PM

| Date | $9 / 11 / 23-5 / 10 / 24$ |  |
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| Time: | Monday \& Wednesday * | $3: 30$ PM - 4:30 PM |
| Mandatory Performance: | Winter \& Spring Concerts (see school calendar) |  |

## Attendance:

- Students are expected to have all necessary materials: instrument, music and pencil.
- Regular attendance is required - NO PARTIAL ENROLLMENT and students who miss will fall behind in class, impairing his/her ability to improve and feel confident.
- If your child is going to miss rehearsal, notify Ms. Natalie via email.
- If your child misses more than two rehearsals during a one-month period and Ms. Natalie feels they are falling behind, then private coaching during lunch for a fee will be recommended.
- Habitual absences will result in a conference with parents, and possible dismissal.
- Participation in the Winter Concert and Spring Concert are mandatory, as well as attending scheduled rehearsals. We are a team and rely on everyone to be there.


## Home Practice:

- Practice is crucial to your child's confidence and success in Band.
- If your child will not be able to commit to regular practice of 20 minutes a day, then DO NOT register for band.
- Subject to availability, additional coaching sessions with Ms. Natalie can be arranged for a fee
- All band books come with access to MP3 files and all students will be expected to use them.


## Band B

This Band will continue developing performance fundamentals started in Band A.

## Requirement: Completed Band A or One year of private lessons (with

 Ms. Natalie's approval)
## Enrollment process

1. $8 / 18 / 23:$ Deadline to complete the registration (link below).
2. Fill out the follow-up form sent by Ms. Natalie
3. $8 / 25 / 2023:$ Receive confirmation of enrollment
4. 8/29/2023: Rehearsals begin

## Schedule (subject to change):

| Date | 8/22/23-5/24/24 |
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| Time: | Tuesday \& Thursday 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM |
| Mandatory Performance: | Winter \& Spring Concerts \& commencement <br> ceremonies (see school calendar) |

## Behavior:

- Students are expected to follow all Monticello Academy policies.
- Students are expected to be good representatives of Monticello Academy when working with guest instructors.
- If your child is disruptive in rehearsal, he/she will be asked to leave, and you will be notified via email or phone call.
- If a second incident occurs, then we will have a conference to discuss his/her future participation in Band.
- Dismissal from Band is at the sole discretion of Ms. Natalie.


## Policy:

- Tuition will be billed to your monthly invoice.
- Tuition is Non-Refundable, Non-Transferable and Non-Prorated.
- A 30-day notice is required for any withdrawal or changes. All notices must be e-mailed to ATTENDANCE and Band Director
- The school DOES NOT accept any verbal notice.
- NO-Make-up Class unless the instructor re-schedules the class.


