



# 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<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

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.	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 supplies.			
6.	Week of 9/11/2023: Attend rehearsals Monday – Thursday			
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		
Time:	Monday & Wednesday *	3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	
Mandatory Performance:	Winter & Spring Concerts (see school calendar)		

## **Band B**

This Band will continue developing performance fundamentals started in Rand A

<u>Requirement</u>: 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	
Time:	Tuesday & Thursday	3:30 PM – 4:30 PM
Mandatory Performance:	Winter & Spring Concerts & commencement ceremonies (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.

## 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.

