

Why Join The Band?

- ◆ It's fun. You make a new family of life-long friends.
- ◆ Teaches self-discipline, motivation, critical thinking and many other non-musical things.
- ◆ Band members are more successful at everything else they try to accomplish in life.
- ◆ The Band is one of the most successful groups in the Duncan School System.
- ◆ Band promotes higher test scores. (avg. 62 point - SAT increase)
- ◆ Increases success rates in college and in the work place.
- ◆ Potential for college scholarships through performing in band.
- ◆ Establishes high moral character and the ability to succeed.
- ◆ Travel across the country.



What instruments can I play?

- ◆ We have woodwind, brass and percussion instruments in the band.
- ◆ We must have the correct proportion of instruments to ensure a good instrumentation for the class. We try to maintain the following proportion of instruments by percent.

Flutes: 15%
Clarinets: 23%
Alto Sax: 10%
Trumpet: 17%
Trombone: 15%
Baritone: 10%
Percussion: 10%



- ◆ Other instruments are available once you progress into 7th grade and High School. Some of these include, Horn, Oboe, Tenor Sax, Bari Sax, Bassoon, Tuba, and Bass Clar.
- ◆ School Owned Instruments are available on a limited basis and are granted based on financial need, academic record and director discretion.



Middle School Bands

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DUNCAN BANDS

A Tradition of Excellence



Come be a part of a
GREAT TRADITION



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Come Be a Part of a Great Tradition . . . The Duncan Bands

The Duncan Band Program consists of grades 6th-12th. This brochure will highlight some of the opportunities your child will be exposed to as a member.



WHO CAN JOIN THE BAND?

- ◆ Any student entering 6th grade.
- ◆ No musical experience is required.
- ◆ Instruction is free and during school. Members are required to invest in a quality musical instrument and accessories.
- ◆ Band does not conflict with athletics, clubs or any other school activities.
- ◆ Band is a full year, developmental class. You must start in 6th grade and enroll for the full year.

WHAT IS THE DUNCAN BAND?

- ◆ The band is a musical performing group within the Duncan School System.
- ◆ We perform at athletic events in support of the schools & community.
- ◆ We perform concerts for the community.
- ◆ We compete with other schools in the state in marching band, concert band and solo & ensemble contests.

WHAT ARE MY ELECTIVE CHOICES?

- ◆ Beginning Band
 - ◆ Full Year of instruction and practice teaching not only music, but self-discipline, independent/critical thinking, and responsibility.
- ◆ Mini-course Rotation
 - ◆ 4.5 week introduction to drama, art, word processing, Choir, P.E., consumer science, music appreciation, & library.
- ◆ 7th & 8th grade band students may have the option of adding a second elective depending on their end of year test scores.



OPPORTUNITIES IN THE BAND

- ◆ MS Beginning Band - Teaches fundamental skills. (6th grade)
- ◆ MS Concert Band - Develops and refines skills. (7th & 8th grades)
- ◆ MS Pep Band - Performs at MS football games and pep assemblies. (8th grade)
- ◆ HS Marching Band - performs at all HS football games and competes in marching band contests across the state. (9-12)
- ◆ HS Concert Band - Performs concerts for the community, competes across the state and travels nationally. (9-12)
- ◆ HS Basketball Band - Performs at home HS basketball games. (9-12)
- ◆ Jazz Band - Auditioned group, practices before school, plays pop/rock/jazz. (9-12)
- ◆ Percussion Ensemble - Open to all band members. Practices after school. (9-12)
- ◆ All-Region Honor Band - Auditioned band with other top players from Southwest Oklahoma. (7-12)
- ◆ Solo & Ensemble - Opportunity to perform solos and in small groups with other students for a divisional rating. (All)
- ◆ All-State Band - Auditioned band with other players from across the state. (10-12)

DO NOT purchase an instrument without first speaking to a director for approval.