

****Last page, Information Sheet, due By Friday, August 24th.****

Windy Ridge 5th-8th Grade Band Handbook 2018-2019

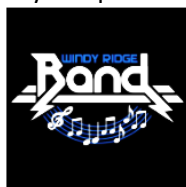
☺ **Welcome to Band with Miss Jaques!** ☺

Thank you, Band Student & Parent/Guardian, for being in Band!

I am very excited to have you in my class and I am looking forward to a fun filled year!!!

1) Band Supply Fee & Band T-Shirt:

There is a \$25 Band fee to help pay for our daily materials needed in the Band classroom, materials needed to make our concert programs, concert decorations, and music assessment fees. This supply fee is GREATLY appreciated and without it I don't know what we would do. The \$25 Band supply fee is due by Friday, August 24th and can be paid in cash or a check made out to Windy Ridge (if you need more time or are unable to afford this fee please fill out the Financial Help Form that can be found on Miss Jaques' website or in the green container by the practice rooms).



BONUS BAND (1st Period Middle School Students) it is MANDATORY that you have this shirt.

If you would like to order a Windy Ridge Band T-Shirt please add \$10 to your Band Supply Fee (total of \$35 then). The above picture is our Band t-shirt design (black t-shirt with white & blue colored font) and they can be ordered in youth medium, youth large, adult small, adult medium, adult large, adult XL, adult 2XL, adult 3XL, adult 4XL, and adult 5XL. If you are a parent, guardian, and/or a student that just wants an extra one you may order additional t-shirts just add an additional \$10 for each shirt.



2) Supplies:

General Supplies (these are due for ALL Band students by Friday, August 24th):

Students will be graded daily on having their supplies and will not be able to play (would pretend) on an instrument unless they have these supplies on a daily basis:

- ★ 1" hard cover black binder (no writing or stickers on the outside covers of the binder)
- ★ 5 pack any type of dividers (labeled clearly: 1st tab= LGs, 2nd tab= WAs (Written Assignments), 3rd tab= Warm-Ups, 4th tab= Music, and 5th tab= Concert)
- ★ 1 pack any size loose leaf paper and go ahead and put about 20 sheets behind the WAs/2nd divider (the rest of it keep it in your locker or in a safe place for future use)
- ★ Pencil pouch with 3 holes in it so it can be put in the binder
- ★ Inside pencil pouch: at least 5 pencils (**MECHANICAL PREFERRED**), 5 color pencils (**ERASABLE PREFERRED**), and a back-up reed if you are a reed player
- ★ **RETURNING BAND STUDENTS BY THE 24th and NEW TO BAND by September 7th:** All instruments except Percussion will need a clip-on tuner for their instrument. For Flute, Oboe, Trombone, Euphonium, Bassoon, Tuba, Alto Sax, and Bari Sax it needs to be any type of Snark Tuner and you can get it on Amazon or Miss Jaques can have the school order one for you for \$10 (money due by Friday August 24th). For Clarinet, Tenor Saxophone, French Horn, and Trumpet it HAS to be the KLIQ UberTuner and it can be found on Amazon or Miss Jaques can have the school order one for you for \$25 (money due by Friday, August 24th).
- ★ **NEW TO BAND STUDENTS---** a package of Wet Ones (or generic brand) antibacterial wipes (will be used to disinfect instruments while you are trying them out)
- ★ ALL 5th-8th Grade Band Students HAVE to have a **combination** lock (needs to be the regular full size to fit locker and **CANNOT** be a key lock)
- ★ Instrument supplies (see next page)

BONUS BAND (Middle School 1st Period Students):

- ★ You are going to need 2 BINDERS (1 for Bonus & 1 for your other Band Class). Each binder needs the exact same supplies in it except the dividers for BONUS will be labeled differently. They will need to be labeled: 1st tab= LGS, 2nd tab= FUN, 3rd tab= SPOOKY, 4th tab= S&E, and 5th tab= CONCERTS

Instrument Supplies (Returning Band students need these supplies by Friday, August 24th and New to Band students need these supplies by Friday, September 7th):

Flute

- A Flute
- Accent on Achievement Book 1
- Flute Rod
- Cleaning cloth
(can be made from a cotton t-shirt or handkerchief)

Oboe & Bassoon

- An Oboe or Bassoon
- Accent on Achievement Book 1
- At least 2 good medium sized reeds at all times
- Cork grease
- Small plastic canister (like an old Tylenol bottle-used to moisten reed)
- Cleaning swab

Clarinets (Regular or Bass)

- A Clarinet
- Accent on Achievement Book 1
- Mouthpiece
- Ligature (holds the reed on the mouthpiece)
- At least 2 good reeds at all times
(Beginners size 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ and Experienced at least size 3)
- Cork grease
- Cleaning swab

Saxophones

- A Saxophone
- Accent on Achievement Book 1
- Mouthpiece
- Ligature (holds the reed on the mouthpiece)
- At least 2 good reeds at all times
(Beginners size 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ and Experienced at least size 3)
- Cork grease
- Neck strap (harness for the Bari sax)
- Cleaning swab

Trumpet, French Horn, Euphonium & Tuba

- A Trumpet, French Horn, Euphonium, or Tuba
- Accent on Achievement Book 1
- Valve Oil
- Slide Grease
- Cleaning cloth (can be made from a t-shirt, a handkerchief, or a wash cloth)

Trombone

- A Trombone
- Accent on Achievement Book 1
- Mouthpiece
- Slide grease or slide oil
- Trombone slide cream or slide spray (for the large slide)
- Cleaning cloth (can be made from a t-shirt, handkerchief, or wash cloth)

Percussion

- Snare & Bell Kit (**will be bringing to school every day**)
- Accent on Achievement Book 1 for Combined Percussion
- Stick bag (any design/any style)
- Snare sticks (size SD1, 5A, or 5B)
- Bell mallets (hard)
- Xylophone/Marimba mallets (yarn tops)
- Timpani mallets (size general)
- Drum pad

3) Instruments:

Windy Ridge has a small inventory of instruments, but these instruments would be shared with other Band students (sharing would take place between students in different Band periods). It is in the best interest for all Band students to rent-to-own or purchase an instrument from a music store. Students that acquire an instrument from a music store will be guaranteed to have a well-working instrument that they do not have to share. Many music stores offer a rent-to-own program, which means making little payments monthly with eventually owning the instrument.

Approximate rent-to-own monthly costs from a music store:

Flute, Clarinet, Trumpet, Trombone, & Snare/Bell Combo: approx. \$26 per month

Oboe or Alto Sax: approx. \$44 per month

Bass Clarinet, Tenor Sax, French Horn, or Euphonium: approx. \$71 per month

Also, Miss Jaques can only recommend renting/purchasing an instrument from a music store. If an instrument is rented/purchased from a music store then it can be repaired. There are a lot of "cheaper" instruments out there that once they are broke they CANNOT be fixed, which leads to a useless instrument. Also, sometimes instruments that are not from a music store will not play correctly making it very, very hard for your child to learn how to play and to sound good. If you have any questions about renting/purchasing an instrument please feel free to contact Miss Jaques.

Here are some music stores for options that Miss Jaques can recommend:

<p>Allegro Music 1042 State Road 436 Casselberry, FL 32707 (407) 830-5856</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">#1 Recommendation</p> <p>Band Room (if you call they will deliver to Windy Ridge for FREE!!!- just pay using a credit/debit card and they make weekly deliveries to Windy Ridge every Friday) http://BandRoomOrlando.com 3233 Curry Ford Rd Orlando, FL 32806 (407) 897-7080</p>	<p>Music & Arts http://www.musicarts.com 4676 Millenia Plaza Way Orlando, FL 32839 (407) 345-0544</p>	<p>Sam Ash www.samash.com 4644 E. Colonial Drive or a store on Lee Road Orlando, FL 32803 (407)896-5508</p>
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Renting an Instrument from Windy Ridge:

If your child plays the Bass Clarinet, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, French Horn, Bassoon, Euphonium, or Tuba Windy Ridge does have a small inventory of school instruments that your child can use (they will be sharing with other Band students).

With renting a school owned instrument, students are still responsible for the care and maintenance of the instrument that they are using. An instrument usage agreement form must be completed to protect the rights of the student and the Windy Ridge Band Program. Once the instrument is checked out to a student, the instrument becomes their responsibility. This also includes theft and destruction of the instrument. If the instrument is damaged, even if it is accidental, **the student is responsible for the cost of the repairs to put the instrument back into its original condition.** Damaged school owned instruments need to be brought to the immediate attention of Miss Jaques.

The donation fee for renting a school owned instrument is used to cover the cost of regular maintenance that is caused by normal use. The donation fee to cover this maintenance for the 2018-2019 school year is \$75 for the school year and is due by Friday, September 7th (you will receive a receipt-can be cash or check made out to Windy Ridge and in the **check memo please put your child's name & BAND**). This donation fee will cover the cost of regular maintenance that is needed for the instrument, it will not cover damage caused by a student. Students using a school instrument will not be able to take home the instrument until the \$75 (or financial help form) and instrument usage agreement form is turned in. Also, students will get to choose the school instrument they would prefer to use based on the order they turn in their \$75 (or financial help form) and instrument usage agreement form).

The Windy Ridge Band would like to have all interested students involved in the Band program regardless of finances available. Please contact Miss Jaques with any concerns that may arise or fill out the Financial Help Form if more time is needed or additional help is needed (form can be found in class or on Miss Jaques' website).

4) Band Classroom Expectations:

- **B**e Responsible (having all Band supplies each Band day, practicing 60 minutes a week, keeping the Band room clean and organized, not touching instruments that don't belong to me, and putting away all food, drinks, candy, and gum in garbage or bag **before** entering the Band room)
- **A**lways Participate
- **N**ever Give Up
- **D**emand Our Best! (OUR = Team/Helping all our classmates and fellow Band students)

5) Grading:

40% of a Student's Grade is Practice (their only homework):

To be successful in Band one MUST practice. ☺ If a student practices they will easily earn a good grade in all Band grading categories. Each Band student is required to practice at least 60 minutes a week. This is the only homework students will receive in Band.

To complete their practice time, students are allowed to take home their instrument and practice or they are able to attend an at school practice with Miss Jaques. Starting the 3rd week of school (August 27th) students may stay after school any Monday from 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm (unfortunately, students cannot leave early) and/or attend morning practices, which will be on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 8:00 am. If students stay for the after school practice they will need to be picked up at 5:00 pm sharp in the car rider loop. *Please be considerate of Miss Jaques' time, especially since she lives 45 minutes away (if your child is picked up more than 3 times late they will not be allowed to stay for all future after school Band practices).*

30% of a Student's Grade is Participation:

Students earn 100 points a day for participation. This includes having all supplies, always trying, participating in a positive manner, completing in-class activities, and always getting better with their playing.

20% of a Student's Grade are Assessments:

Students will have a weekly written and/or playing assessment every Friday (Thursday for one 5th grade group). These quizzes will be posted every Monday in the classroom, Miss Jaques will post them on her website the previous Friday (<http://teacherpress.ocps.net/LindiJaques/assessments>), and for middle school students they will be posted on Canvas.

10% of a Student's Grade are In-Class Assignments and/or LG Worksheets:

These assignments are to be completed during class time when Miss Jaques is working with another section and include, but are not limited to, Learning Goal Worksheets, Rhythm Worksheets, Music Theory Worksheets, Notes, and etc..

Concerts (when they occur, they will be a part of the practice grading category):

The most fun part about Band are the concerts! Since a student works so hard to be able to perform at a concert, it is mandatory that all Band students attend every concert (there are 2 school concerts a school year). Also, for each student to feel proud of their accomplishments it is very important that at least 1 family member attends each concert. To help plan out your schedule please make sure to look over the calendar section in this handbook to plan accordingly.

Band Concert Uniform:

- ★ Long Sleeved Button Down White Dress Shirt that has a COLLAR (CAN ORDER THROUGH THE SCHOOL FOR \$14-order form will be sent home in September)
- ★ Long Black Dress Pants
- ★ Black Socks or Black Stockings
- ★ Black Dress Shoes

Symphonic Band ONLY:

- ★ We will be deciding on keeping the blue cummerbund and blue bow tie, doing a vest and bow tie, and/or maybe even adding a dress for the girls. Once we have decided (parents will have an input as well) Miss Jaques will send home notification and you will be able to order them through the school.

Bonus Band ONLY:

For our informal performances:

- ★ Windy Ridge Band T-Shirt (have to order from Miss Jaques by Friday, August 24th- \$10)
- ★ Blue/Black Jeans
- ★ Closed toe shoes

In the event of an emergency on the day of a performance/concert, a parent/guardian must contact Miss Jaques (407-296-5100 ext.4102228) as soon as possible (must be before the Performance/Concert starts). Any student who must miss a concert, for whatever reason, will be required to complete an alternative assignment.

6) Band Website/Canvas and Contact Information:

Miss Jaques has many fun filled events planned for this year. To make sure that you are kept up to date for 5th grade Miss Jaques will post all items through Miss Jaques' website and for middle school it will be through Canvas.

If at any time you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Miss Jaques:

Website: <http://teacherpress.ocps.net/LindiJaques>

E-Mail: Lindi.Jaques@ocps.net

Phone Number: 407-296-5100 ext.4102228

Please also remember that if you are having financial burdens and need extra time or help with getting any Band supply please contact Miss Jaques.

7) Band Calendar

Every Monday (starting 3rd week of school-August 27th):

*ANY 5th-8th grade Band student (4th grade will start later) can practice after school till 5:00 pm (do not have to come every Monday, have to be picked up in the FIRST CAR RIDER LOOP no later than 5:00 pm (can walk home with parent/guardian permission, and unfortunately, cannot leave early). If there is no school on a Monday, this practice will take place on Tuesday for that week.

Every Wednesday & Thursday morning (starting the 3rd week of school-August 27th):

*Any 5th-8th grade Band student (4th grade will start later) can practice in the Band room from 8:00 am - first bell

Every Friday (Thursday for one 5th grade group):

*Practice Proof is due (60 minutes a week) starting Friday, August 24th (Thursday, August 23rd for one 5th grade group). For the 2nd week of school it will not involve instruments.

*Playing and/or written assessment(s) (these are always posted on Miss Jaques' website and on the board in the classroom)

August:

13: School Starts

24: Last page of Band Handbook due

-**\$25 Band Supply Fee Due cash or check (made out to Windy Ridge) and \$10 for each Band t-shirt ordering**

- For returning to Band students tuner money due if needed (Flute, Oboe, Alto, Bari, Trombone, Bassoon, Euphonium, & Tuba = \$10 and Clarinet, Tenor Sax, Trumpet, & French Horn = \$25)

-Returning to Band ALL Band supplies due (this includes the instrument supplies)

-New to Band general Band supplies due

27: Optional after school practices begin (till 5:00 pm)

29 & 30: Optional Wednesday & Thursday morning practices begin at 8:00 am

September:

3: No School

6: Band Question/Instrument Rental Night- stop by any time between 5:00-6:00 pm from the side entrance to the Band room- Miss Jaques will be available for questions and music store Band Room (and possibly another) will be there if interested in getting an instrument and/or instrument supplies

7: Bonus Band & ALL 8th Grade Band Students MANDATORY Middle School Football Game Night at Olympia High School (time T.B.A., but will have to have transportation to and from Olympia High School)

10: New to Band ALL Band instrument supplies due

-If using a school instrument **\$75 Instrument Rental Donation Fee Due cash or check (made out to Windy Ridge)**

October:

5: ALL 8th Graders Middle School Football Game Night at Dr. Phillip's High School (ALL 8th graders will attend rather zoned for DP or not)

8, 9, & 11: Bonus Band School Spooky Concert with Drama & Strings during 1st period

9: Bonus Band Evening Spooky Concert with Drama & Strings starts at 6:00 pm

12: End of 1st 9 Weeks

15: Students No School

26: No School

November:

T.B.A.: Bonus Band BONUS Field Trip

T.B.A.: Bonus Band Optional All-County Auditions

19-23: No School

December:

17: Bonus Band- after school setting-up/decorating for concert till 6:00 pm (Actors/Actresses will need to stay till 7:00 pm)

18: **Winter Concerts at Windy Ridge Cafeteria (MANDATORY FOR ALL BAND STUDENTS)**

Students must be in concert uniform in the Band room by 5:00 pm (students are allowed to stay after school)

There will be 2 concerts!!! The first concert is for all 4th grade Band parents/guardians/friends/family and will start at 5:30 pm. The second concert will be for all 5th-8th grade Band parents/guardians/friends/family and will start at 7:00 pm.

20: End of 2nd 9 weeks

21-Jan.6: No School

January:

First week back there will be NO at school practices (Miss Jaques is away for a music conference from the 9th-12th)

21: Student's No School

28: NO AFTER SCHOOL BAND PRACTICE

February:

15-16: Bonus Band Students- MANDATORY Solo & Ensemble at Freedom High School (Exact day & times T.B.A.)

18: No School

March:

1: Bonus Band field trip to High School MPA competition

7-9: **Symphonic Band Students keep all of these dates open for MPA competition at an OCPs High School (exact location, date, and time T.B.A.)- THIS IS MANDATORY FOR SYMPHONIC BAND STUDENTS**

14: End of 3rd 9 Weeks

15: Student's No School

18-22: Spring Break

May:

10: 6th-8th Grade Band Students Positive Workers Band Field Trip (location T.B.A.- last year was Animal Kingdom)

20: Bonus Band- after school setting-up/decorating for concert till 6:00 pm (Actors/Actress till 7:00 pm)

21: **Band Concert music from Current & Past Hits in Windy Ridge Cafeteria (MANDATORY FOR ALL 5th- 8th GRADE BAND STUDENTS)**

Students must be in concert uniform in the Band room by 6:30 pm (students are allowed to stay after school if no transportation is possible). Start time of concert is 7:00 pm and end time of concert is approximately 8:00 pm

27: No School

29: Last day of school

All dates are subject to change. Students will receive notice of all changes (they will also be posted on website for 5th grade and Canvas for 6th-8th).

If you are completing this on Canvas there is a "Quiz" that has you fill out all of your important information. 😊