***\*\*Last page, Information Sheet, due by Friday, August 23rd***

***(Thursday, August 22nd for 1 group of 5th grade).\*\****

**Windy Ridge 5th- 8th Grade Band Handbook 2019-2020**

**☺ 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 30th (Thursday, August 29th for 1 group of 5th grade) and can be paid in cash or a check made out to **Windy Ridge School** (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).



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:**

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
* **A WORKING TUNER** (Percussion does not need). This can be the one you had from last year or **YOU HAVE TO ORDER THIS EXACT one from Amazon: Clarinets, Trumpets, French Horns, and Tenor Saxophone KLIQ UberTuner** ($26.00) **and for Flutes, Oboes, Alto Saxophone, Bari Saxophone, Trombones, Euphoniums, Bassoons, and Tubas you can order the SNARK SN1X CLIP-ON CHROMATIC TUNER** ($13.00). IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT YOU ORDER THE TUNER THAT MISS JAQUES LISTED ABOVE. NOT ALL TUNERS WORK FOR EACH INSTRUMENT AND THESE ARE THE BEST ONES THAT MISS JAQUES HAS FOUND.
* **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)
* A **combination** lock (needs to be the regular full size to fit locker and **CANNOT** be a key lock)
* Instrument supplies (if you do not know your instrument this isn’t due until we have chosen)

**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** (**New to Band students DO NOT NEED UNTIL WE HAVE ASSIGNED AN INSTRUMENT)**:

**Flute Saxophones**

-A Flute -A Saxophone

-Accent on Achievement Book 1 - Accent on Achievement Book 1

-Flute Rod - Mouthpiece

-Cleaning cloth - Ligature (holds the reed on the mouthpiece)

(can be made from a cotton t-shirt or handkerchief) -At least 2 good reeds at all times

(Beginners size 2 ½ and Experienced at least size 3)

-Cork grease

-Neck strap (harness for the Bari sax)

-Cleaning swab

**Bassoon Trumpet, Euphonium, & Tuba**

-Bassoon -A Trumpet, Euphonium, or Tuba

-Accent on Achievement Book 1 -Accent on Achievement Book 1 -At least 2 good medium sized reeds at all times -Valve Oil

-Cork grease -Slide Grease

-Small plastic canister (like an old Tylenol bottle-used to moisten reed) -Cleaning cloth (can be made from a t-shirt, a handkerchief, or a wash cloth)

-Cleaning swab

**Clarinets (Regular or Bass) Trombone**

-A Clarinet -A Trombone

-Accent on Achievement Book 1 -Accent on Achievement Book 1

-Mouthpiece -Mouthpiece

-Ligature (holds the reed on the mouthpiece) -Slide grease or slide oil

-At least 2 good reeds at all times -Trombone slide cream or slide spray (for the large slide)

(Beginners size 2 ½ and Experienced at least size 3) -Cleaning cloth (can be made from a t-shirt, handkerchief, or wash cloth)

-Cork grease

-Cleaning swab **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 (Percussion): approx. $26 per month

Alto Sax: approx. $44 per month

Bass Clarinet, Tenor Sax, 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:**

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| **Allegro Music**  1042 State Road 436  Casselberry, FL 32707  (407) 830-5856 | **#1 Recommendation**  **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**](http://BandRoomOrlando.com)  3233 Curry Ford Rd  Orlando, FL 32806  (407) 897-7080 | **Music & Arts**  <http://www.musicarts.com>  4676 Millenia Plaza Way Orlando, FL 32839 (407) 345-0544 | **Sam Ash**  [www.samash.com](http://www.samash.com)  4644 E. Colonial Drive or a store on Lee Road  Orlando, FL 32803  (407)896-5508 |

**Renting an Instrument from Windy Ridge:**

If your child plays the Bass Clarinet, Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, 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 2019-2020 school year is $75 for the school year and is due by Friday, September 6th (you will receive a receipt-can be cash or check made out to **Windy Ridge School** 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 Recordings of Assessment* Items:**

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. During their practice time all Band students should also be working on their assessment recordings (students are notified via Canvas and in class of what their recordings are). Students are able to continue to resubmit their recordings throughout the entire 9 weeks if they are unhappy with their grade.

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. This year at school practices are available every morning starting at 8:30 am (no need to come early- students are not allowed on school campus until 8:30 am).

**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 in Class *Assessments (can be written or playing)*:**

Students will throughout the school year will have written and/or playing assessments. These assessments will be posted in the classroom, Miss Jaques will post them on her website (<http://teacherpress.ocps.net/LindiJaques/assessments>), and they will be posted in Canvas.

**10% of a Student’s Grade are In-Class Written *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 & recording grading category-40%):**

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 for 5th grade Band & Concert Band, 3 school concerts a school year for Bonus Band, and 2 school concerts & 1 competition concert for Symphonic Band). 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. 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 BONUS T-Shirt (more information coming soon ☺)
  + 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 Miss Jaques posts all items on her website and 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](mailto:Lindi.Jaques@ocps.net) or via “in box” in Canvas

**Phone Number:** 407-296-5100 ext.4102228

**7) Band Calendar**

**Every Morning:**

\*Any 5th- 8th grade Band student (4th grade will start later) can practice in the Band room from 8:30 am – 8:55 am

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

\*Practice Proof is due (60 minutes a week) starting Friday, August 23rd (Thursday, August 22nd for one 5th grade group).

**August:**

12: School Starts

22/23: Last page of Band Handbook due

29/30: **$25 Band Supply Fee Due cash or check (made out to Windy Ridge School) and $10 for each Band t-shirt ordering**

**September:**

2: No School

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

20: 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)

27: 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)

**October:**

7, 8, & 9: Bonus Band School Spooky Concert with Drama and maybe Strings during 1st period

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

16: End of 1st 9 Weeks

17-18: Students No School

**November:**

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

25-29: No School

**December:**

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

3: **Winter Band Concert at Windy Ridge Cafeteria (MANDATORY FOR ALL 5th- 8th GRADE BAND STUDENTS)**

Students must be in concert uniform in the Band room by 5:30 pm

Concert Begins at 6:00 pm and should end approximately 7:00 pm

20: End of 2nd 9 weeks

21-Jan.6: No School

**January:**

7: 3rd 9 Weeks Begins

20: No School

21: Bonus, if selected All-County practice Winter Park HS 6:30-9:00 pm

23: Bonus, if selected All-County practice Winter Park HS 7:00-9:00 pm

24: NO Moring Practice

24: Bonus, if selected All-County practice Winter Park HS 8:30 am – 4:00 pm (this will be counted as a field trip, but need own transportation)

25: Bonus, if selected All County practice Winter Park HS 2:00 - 4:00 pm & Concert Call Time 5:00 pm with Concert starting at 5:30 pm

28: NO Morning Practice

**February:**

13-15: Bonus Band Students- MANDATORY Solo & Ensemble at Freedom High School (Exact day & times T.B.A.)

17: No School

**March:**

5-7: **Symphonic Band Students keep all of these dates open for MPA competition at Dr. Phillips HS (exact date and time T.B.A.)- THIS IS MANDATORY FOR**

**SYMPHONIC BAND STUDENTS**

12: End of 3rd 9 Weeks

13: Student’s No School

16-20: Spring Break

**April:**

**May:**

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

12: **Band Concert Movie Favorites in Windy Ridge Cafeteria (MANDATORY FOR ALL 5th- 8th GRADE BAND STUDENTS)**

Students must be in concert uniform in the Band room by 5:30 pm.

Start time of concert is 6:00 pm and end time of concert is approximately 7:00 pm

25: No School

27: Last day of school

***All dates are subject to change. Students will receive notice of all changes (they will also be posted on Miss Jaques’ website and Canvas).***

**Please complete and send in by Friday, August 23rd (Thursday, August 22nd for 1 5th grade group)**

**Also, your $25 Band Supply Fee or Financial Help Form is due by Friday, August 30th (Thursday, August 29th for 1 5th grade group)**

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| **Information & Consent Form** |

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Band Student’s B-Day: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5th Graders- 5th Grade Homeroom Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Contact #1:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Parental Consent for Photographs/Videotaping**

Miss Jaques is planning several educational activities/performances throughout the 2019-2020 school year.  I, the Band parent/guardian, grant permission for my child to be photographed or videotaped at these educational activities/performances for the 2019-2020 school year (photos/videotaping will be used only for celebrating student's success and/or educational purposes).

**Rehearsal/Concert Agreement**

The success of any music program is dependent on teamwork, with each student completing his/her assigned task. This is a quote from the Orange County Public Schools' course descriptions for performance-oriented classes. "As a co-curricular performance-oriented activity, attendance is required for rehearsals and performances beyond regular school hours."

These include, but are not limited to:

Music Performance Assessments (Symphonic Band), Concerts (2 school concerts a year), performances for community, school, etc., and rehearsals as required (you will always receive notification in advance)

**It is understood that attendance at these functions are mandatory and an unexcused absence may result in lowering the student's grade.** Exceptions to this policy are:

Religious holidays

Disabled students whose disability prohibits participation

Documented illness

Family emergency (approved by School Administration or Miss Jaques)

I also understand that to have a successful Band Program students must always practice, participate in a positive manner, and be present during in-class time instruction to make sure that students are aware of all details relating to all Band events. In the case of a student not participating correctly, not completing their musical recordings/knowing their music, or missing class time (due to excused or unexcused absences and also includes any school suspensions) Miss Jaques may need to not have your child participate in certain Band events.

We, Band Student & Parent/Guardian, have read the 5th-8th Grade Band Handbook 2019-2020 and understand all items discussed and understand that if any conflicts arise I will make sure to contact Miss Jaques as soon as possible. I acknowledge that I will be held accountable for all information contained within this handout. **Lastly and most importantly, we agree to have a fabulous, fun, and learning Band experience!!! ☺**

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