JOIN THE SCHOOL BAND

ORIECTIVE

The purpose of the program is to broaden the education of the child by giving him/her an understanding of music. Participation in the band gives the student a feeling of accomplishment which is becoming such a rare but valuable part of life. The mental and physical disciplines involved in learning to read and play music are of immeasurable value. Additionally, the cultural and character building advantages to be gained from early exposure to music enhance the overall development of the child. Our purpose is to bring the experience of music to every child. You can visit our website www.instrumentalmusicprogram.org for more information.

FORMAT

At the beginning of each school year, classes are organized offering instruction on band instruments to all interested students enrolled in the 4th through 8th grade and guitar instruction for grades 7 and 8 (minimum guitar class size is five). These classes are given by highly qualified teachers. Classes meet once a week from October through May, except on school holidays (minimum of 28 lessons). To enable all students to participate, the lessons are given during the school day. A "rotating" schedule is used so that the children do not miss the same class more than once every four or five weeks. The students are taught in small classes which are scheduled according to instrument or degree of advancement. Each school has a band which rehearses once a week. First year students do not become members of the school band until they reach a prescribed level of achievement. Second year students are, with few exceptions, full fledged members of the school band. Several concerts are performed by the band during the year. Instruments on which instruction is offered are: flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, baritone horn, snare drum and guitar (7th and 8th graders only).

THITION

There is a **non-refundable** registration fee of \$25.00 **PER CHILD**, \$50.00 **PER FAMILY**. This is an annual fee and **MUST ACCOMPANY THE REGISTRATION FORM BELOW.** The **yearly** tuition for lessons and band rehearsal is payable in two plans: monthly or by the semester.

MONTHLY INSTALLMENT PLAN (9 installments through June)

One child - \$91.00 per installment Family - \$139.00 per installment

SEMESTER PLAN (2 installments, due October 15th and February 1st)

One child - \$405.00 Family - \$612.00

Those who pay by the monthly installment plan should complete the form below and return it IMMEDIATELY with the registration fee and the first installment. When your registration fee and the first installment are received, we will issue your payment coupon book to be used for the remainder of the year.

Those who pay by the semester must send the registration form and fee NOW; semester payments are due **before October 15**th and **February 1**st.

PLEASE NOTE

It is necessary for the children to participate for AT LEAST ONE YEAR if they are to develop to the point where they can see the value of continuing their music studies. Because the teachers' schedules are set according to the number of students at the beginning of the year, **WITHDRAWAL WILL NOT BE PERMITTED UNTIL THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR** except for extraordinary circumstances such as moving, prolonged illness, the written request of the classroom teacher, or on the advice of the music instructor.

INSTRUMENT RENTAL

In order to provide instruments at the lowest rental cost, the program has contacted **Music and Arts**. Information pertaining to their rental program was sent home with your child. If you have any questions regarding the instrument rental, please contact Music and Arts at **888-731-5396** or visit their website at **www.MusicArts.com.**

REGISTRATION

Please fill out the attached form and mail it to the address below as soon as possible. **DO NOT RETURN IT TO SCHOOL.** The lesson schedule will be announced in each school in the latter part of September. If you have any questions about the band program, please call our office at 410-442-5804.

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PLEASE INDICATE METHOD OF PAYMENT:

- (1) () **Monthly Installment Plan**: Enclosed is \$25.00 registration fee *plus* \$91.00 for one child; *or* \$50.00 per family *plus* \$139.00 per family. (The coupon book will be mailed to you upon receipt of your registration and first installment.)
- (2) () Semester Payment Plan: Enclosed is \$25.00 registration fee plus \$405.00 for one child; or \$50.00 registration fee plus \$612.00 per family. To receive discounted tuition cost, semester payments are due by October 15th and February 1st.
- (3) () **Semester Payment Plan**: Enclosed is \$25.00 registration fee for one child *or* \$50.00 per family. **First semester tuition to be mailed and received in our office** *by October 15th*. Second semester payment is due February 1st.

I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS ENROLLS THE ABOVE CHILD(REN) FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR.

PARENT'S NAME (PRINTED)	
PARENT'S SIGNATURE	