

Cedar Hill Beginner Band



September 13, 2011

Dear Parents and Students:

Welcome back! My name is Mr. Joseph Kirk and I will be teaching band at Cedar Hill School this year. I am so excited to meet the beginning band students and get them off to a great start. Here is some important information regarding band.

Small group lessons will begin the week of September 19th. A lesson schedule will be emailed out in the coming days, please go over the times with your child. Lessons are on a rotating basis so that the students do not miss the same subject on two consecutive weeks. If for any reason, a student becomes behind in a particular subject, please do not hesitate to call me so that together we, along with the teacher, can come up with a solution.

Before-school band rehearsals will be on Mondays, beginning October 10th. Before-school rehearsals begin promptly at 8:00. Please be on the look-out for a separate letter regarding the before-school rehearsals.

Lastly, all beginning students should plan on practicing every day for 15 minutes until they become more familiar with the instrument at which time they can practice 5 days a week for 20 minutes. All band students should come to lessons and rehearsals with their instrument, music, and a pencil. To ensure proper posture during at home practice, students should use an appropriate music stand and sit in a flat backed chair.

Lesson schedules, information regarding rehearsals and concerts, and other important band information will be on my website. Please go to the district webpage under "Parents and Students" and "Online Resource Directory" and click onto my website

Thank you so much for supporting your young musician. As always, please feel free to call or e-mail me with any questions or concerns. I look forward to working with all of you.

Sincerely,

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