Welcome to the Instrumental Program Information Meeting!
Instrument Selection Process

- Instrument demonstrations given in music class
- Students select 3 instrument choices to try
- Final instrument selection will be made based on student's preference and data collected during trial process
- Letter with final selection will be sent home with students by the end of September
Band & Orchestra Lessons

BEGINNING October 17th

*Please do your best to have instruments by this date*

- 30 minute lesson during school day in every 6 day cycle
- Small group of like-instruments
- Time of lesson rotates
- Lesson will always be on a set day of the cycle (ex: A days)
- Lesson schedules will be distributed prior to lessons
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**Updated:** 3/25/18
Morning Rehearsals

• Regular rehearsals start in January
• D & S Days, 8:05-8:50am
• Students should arrive by 8:00am, *but no earlier than 7:50*
• Enter through front entrance door
• Sign-up for Remind!
Morning Rehearsals

Instrumental Music Kick-off!!

Tuesday October 11th – 8:00am

• NO instruments
• Opportunity for students to meet their entire ensemble
Instruments & Materials

• Instrument (WI Instrument Supply List)
• Lesson books (provided by school)
• Other materials (reeds, cleaning supplies, rosin, *music stand*) included on supply list
Practice Tips, Concert Dates, etc.

- We recommend students practice 15-20 minute a day, 4-5 times a week.
- Set a designated practice time every day, this way practicing becomes routine.
- Set up a designated practice area in your home with a music stand and chair that allows for good sitting posture. Keeping an organized and ready-to-go music area can encourage daily practicing! At first, beginners can become frustrated that they cannot play “songs” or “recognizable tunes” right off the bat. Ensure them that if they continue to practice they will be playing recognizable songs soon!
Practice Tips, Concert Dates, etc.

Concert Date

Wednesday June 7th, 7:00pm
Questions, Meet the Teachers
West Irondequoit Instrumental Supply List

**Flute (open hole)**
Recommended brands: Eastman, Yamaha, DiZhao
Accessories: cleaning rod + cloth, corks (if not already included in holes)

**Clarinet (Bb)**
Recommended brands: Backun Alpha, Yamaha, Buffet, LeBlanc “Bliss”
Accessories: cork grease, cleaning swab, several reeds (Rico #2.5)

**Saxophone (Alto)**
Recommended brands: Eastman, Yamaha, Selmer
Accessories: cork grease, cleaning swab, several reeds (Rico #2.5)

**Trumpets**
Recommended brands: Eastman, Yamaha, Bach, King
Accessories: valve oil + slide grease

**Trombone**
Recommended brands: Eastman, Bach, King, Yamaha
Accessories: valve oil + slide grease

**Percussion**
Bell kit with practice pad, sticks and mallets

*Tuba, Baritone/ Euphonium, French Horn* - We provide these instruments for you, but you will need to purchase a mouthpiece, valve oil, and slide grease.

**Local Stores:**
Costello Music (located in House of Guitars)
Music and Arts
Atlas Music
Music Lovers Shoppe

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**Strings**
Brands: Shen, Eastman
Accessories
   - For Violin/Viola: Shoulder rest (Everest, Kun or Zaret sponge)
   - For Cello: Strap rock stop (Xeros), make sure you have a chair suitable for practicing (armless)
   - For Bass: Stool is preferred
   - All strings: Rosin

**All instrumental students should have a music stand at home for practicing.**