



Dear Prospective Band Parent,

We are excited that so much interest has been shown in starting up the Elementary Band program for the Cedar Hills area. Elementary Band at Deerfield has been a great success the last two years and we look forward to giving your children the continued advantages and opportunities as other students have enjoyed for many years. Band is much more than learning how to play an instrument. Through band, your children will make good friends and associate with some of the top students in their schools. They will also learn good habits and skills, such as responsibility, hard work and cooperation which are highly valued and needed in high school, college and in the workplace. Studies show that studying music has an amazing effect on the brain and can help students succeed in other subjects as well...resulting in higher ACT scores, etc.

This year, we are offering Elementary Band to 5th and 6th grade students. The Beginning Band will meet at Deerfield Elementary on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:45 to 4:30 PM. Intermediate Band (for those with prior experience on their instrument) will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:45-5:30 PM. **Classes will start November 4th** and run through April. Tuition will be \$50 for each semester (Nov-Jan & Feb-April). We invite any other students--especially from the Cedar Hills area, to join us. No prior musical experience is necessary—we teach you everything you need to know! Students can choose from trombone, clarinet, trumpet and flute. These are the basic instruments in the band and switch over to other instruments fairly easily. Mountain Ridge, Lone Peak, and American Fork have set a high standard of musical excellence in the area and we are excited to begin musical training as early as possible.

Please join us on Wednesday, October 29th at 6:00 PM in the Deerfield Elementary Gymnasium for a short meeting to explain the benefits of band as they relate to preparing your child for a successful life. We will also discuss details concerning joining the band and your child will be able to try out instruments. Local music stores will be available to facilitate rental or purchase of musical instruments.

Whether your child has or has not expressed an interest in playing an instrument, please join us. Current research confirms that the study of music is one of the most effective tools to improve learning throughout a child's academic curriculum. We eagerly look forward to meeting you and offering further details. If you cannot attend the meeting, please call or email me and I will be happy to answer any of your questions. I hope that your children will soon come to love music as much as I do. ☺

Sincerely,

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Elementary Band Student Information Form

Student Name: _____

Grade: 5 6 Student ID# _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Names: _____

Parent/Guardian email: _____

Elementary School: _____

Instrument (Circle your top choice):



Flute



Clarinet



Trumpet



Trombone

_____ Beginning Band (meets Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:45-4:30 PM)

_____ Intermediate Band (meets Tuesdays and Thursdays 4:45-5:30 PM)

Both classes meet at Deerfield Elementary. Band begins Tuesday, Nov 4th.

Tuition is \$50 per semester _____ or \$100 per year _____

PAYMENT: By cash or check (Checks payable to: Deerfield Elementary)

Please give or send this form and payment to:

Deerfield Elementary
Attn: Elementary Band
4353 West Harvey Blvd.
Cedar Hills, UT 84062

Payments will need to be made at the office. Instructors will not be able to accept payments.