

# BAND Hardin Valley Middle School

How can you be a part of the HVMS 6<sup>th</sup> grade band?

### More info about band!

The Hardin Valley Middle School band will be one of the premier programs in Knox County. We are looking forward to creating something special and would love for rou to come and be a part of the program.

## **Band Directors:**

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Please email Ms. Eaton if you have any questions!



# **How and when do I pick an instrument?**

The new band program is looking forward to preparing students to be ambassadors to the community. All preparation will be done in class and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will perform 3 concerts throughout the year.

### Reasons to join the band...

- We start at the very beginning, so you don't need any prior experience!
- We will teach you how to read music and play your instrument!
- Many national studies have proven that instrumental music helps increase students' math and reading scores!
- Playing in band helps develops life skills like teamwork, self-discipline, and responsibility!
- You will be in a class where you are supposed to make noise!

Students have several opportunities to stop by the HVA band room to try instruments and make a selection. HVMS and HVA band directors will be available from 4-6 on **May 8-10** to help students try instruments.

You and your student only need to attend ONE of these days. Please allow 30 minutes for instrument selection and we will get you all set up.

Students will have the option of choosing between Baritone, Trombone, French Horn, Trumpet, Alto Sax, Clarinet, Flute, and Percussion (piano lessons are highly recommended for percussionists).

Make sure to stop by the HVA band room sometime between 4 and 6 on Tuesday May 8<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday May 9<sup>th</sup>, OR Thursday May 10<sup>th</sup> to see if one of these band instruments is right for you!

If you have questions or need to schedule a different time, please email Ms. Eaton.

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