

RJEMS 8TH GRADE BANDS

ROCK THE HOUSE!



For updates on all GR band events and updates, you can go to:
www.grbands.org

▶ Performance Dates

- * Veterans Day Performance: Tuesday, November 12, @ RJEMS gymnasium
- * Fall Concert: Tuesday, November 26, 7:00 pm, @Reif Center
- * Winter Concert: Monday, February 10, 7:00 pm, @Reif Center
- * Spring Concert: Tuesday, May 12, 7:00 pm, @Reif Center

▶ Band/Choir Daily Schedule

- * If students are only in band, they will have band Monday through Friday
- * If students are in both band and choir:
 - ▶ Band days= Tuesday & Friday and every other Wednesday
 - ▶ Choir days= Monday & Thursday, and every other Wednesday

▶ What do I need for band class?

“The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today.” *H. Jackson Brown, Jr.*

INSTRUMENT

1

Students should bring instruments for the first day of school.

1 IN. BINDER

2

Each student should have their OWN binder to hold class materials.

SUPPLIES

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Make sure you have supplies to play your instrument. Buy reeds, oil, etc as needed.

Do you use a “School-Owned” Instrument?

Please remember to pay your \$75 instrument usage fee for this school year. There is an online payment option @ www.isd318.org under “Parent Links”, pay online. OR- scan for the quick link:



Concert Attire:

All RJEMS ensembles wear “Concert Black” at performances. Black on top, black on bottom, and black shoes if possible. The goal is to look uniform, not bring attention to individuals.

COMMUNICATION:

Please feel free to contact your teacher with any questions throughout the school year:

4th Hour: Ms. Anissa Grotjohn agrotjohn@isd318.org 327-5800 ext. 41251

6th Hour: Mr. Sander Grotjohn sgrotjohn@isd318.org 327-5760 ext. 41486

Grand Rapids Bands Webpage:

www.grbands.org

Remind:

8th Grade Band: text @eb9efec to the number 81010

Google Classroom:

4th Hour: Students: join 4th Hour 8th Grade Band with class code: znglpx

6th Hour: Students join 6th Hour 8th Grade Band with class code: rkobkt3

Band Boosters:

Every 3rd Monday of the month- Meetings held in the GRHS band room at 7 pm. All band parents/guardians welcome!

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Did You Know:

Through countless studies, theories have been confirmed that performing music strengthens a person’s brain function.

GRADING:

- Band is a performance-based class and grades will reflect individual musical progress as well as the ability to perform benchmarks at grade level.
- Students will be asked to demonstrate skills and improvement throughout the year.
- A grade-appropriate level of proficiency will be expected of all students, and opportunities to demonstrate more advanced skills will be given as well.
- Concert performances will be a significant part of our performance grade.
- Rehearsal attitude and behavior are a critical part of whether or not a band is successful. An Effective Participation/Positive Contribution Rehearsal Rubric will be used to grade students each week .