



Dear parents/guardians,

Welcome back! I hope that everyone had a fantastic summer and is ready to get back to making music together in band! The Bishop McDevitt Music Department has been working hard this summer and we have many exciting things planned for our students!

The Bishop McDevitt Music Department offers many exciting opportunities for young instrumentalists in 4th through 8th grades. Each child receives a weekly 20-minute lesson, which allows your child to participate in their respective school's concert bands or beginner band.



In efforts to "go green," registration will be made available through an online form. To find the form and register for instrumental music, please visit: www.bishopmcdevittmusic.weebly.com. At the top of the main page, click on "Elementary/Middle School Band" and there you will find the link for "Elementary/Middle School Instrumental Registration." If that seems too cumbersome, please email me and I'll gladly send you the link!

In order to offer this program to the students, there is a required fee. The yearly tuition to participate in the band program at your child's school is \$100 per student. For families with multiple students, the fee for the 2nd child is \$90 and the third or more children are free. Please view the registration page for all tuition details.

A few dates that we would like to make you aware of:



Monday September 9th 7pm Instrument Rental Night: For any student looking to rent or purchase an instrument, Losers will be hosting a rental night at Bishop McDevitt where you and your child will be able to pick out the instrument that interests them. The representatives from Losers will explain to you the process of purchasing or renting an instrument and all of your options.

Monday, September 16th 7pm Elementary Instrument Pick-up: Instruments will be available for pick-up for anyone who ordered from Losers the previous week.

Friday, September 13th 4pm Buddy Night with the Bishop McDevitt Marching Band: Students in grades 6, 7, and 8 are required to participate in Buddy Night at the Bishop McDevitt High School football game on Friday, September 13th. Students should report to the Bishop McDevitt High School band room at 4pm that day. This night will afford the students an opportunity to enjoy fellowship with current high school band members in addition to playing high school level pep band repertoire. The night's culminating activity will be a chance for the middle school students to play on the field with their high school comrades.

I thank you for choosing music education as an outlet for your child. Music education is important for children of all ages. Music is essential in helping human beings with their desire to express themselves and be creative. It surrounds us daily. Please keep the lines of

communication open. Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions. The instrumental music program will be awesome because of all of your efforts!

Sincerely,

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