

Villago Band 2019-2020

Welcome to another wonderful year of music! For those who don't know me - I'm Ms. Baker, the Villago Band Director. This is my 4th year with the program and I am excited to see its continued growth and excellence. I will be giving lots of information to your students over the next few days including: *student handbook, equipment & supply needs, music, warm ups, assignments* ... Please make sure you and your student are caught up with all the information I have handed out. If you have any questions please email me at sarah.baker@cgesd.org or visit the Band Website - villagoband.com. This will be your best resources for students to know assignments, find documents and warm ups, and have the most up to date information & announcements. I also will provide the band boosters email and we hope you consider becoming a part of it this year when meetings are announced and events start up - villagobandbooster@gmail.com

First Assignments: **Due Friday, August 16th**

- "All About Me" Video Assignment - Seesaw App or Google (TBD)
- Two Forms: T - Shirt Order & Parent/Student Info (Back of Band Handbook)
- Band Binder & Materials Checklist (refer to band handbook)

The first items your student will need are: whiteboard marker/eraser, binder- only for band, page protectors, instrument & Accent On Achievement Book (can purchase at Rental Night, order online, or De - No Music in town). Book 1 – 6th grade (blue) & Book 2 – 7th & 8th graders (red). The school has limited equipment & books available to rent out to students, so many of you will need to attend one of our two rental nights.

Upcoming Events:

- **Villago Open House:** Villago Middle School (4 - 7 pm) - **Tuesday, August 13th**
 - Band Program Presentation in the Band Room every half hour beginning at 4:30 pm. I will be available for any questions throughout the evening as well.
- **Rental Night:** Cactus Middle School (5 - 7 pm) - **Tuesday, August 13th**
- **Rental Night:** Villago Middle School (5 - 7 pm) - **Wednesday, August 14th**
- **7th/8th Grade Students:** Jazz Band Auditions: *Band Website (Information)*
 - Woodwinds (flute, clarinet, saxophone) - **Monday, Aug 19th (4 - 6 pm)**
 - Brass (trumpet, trombone, baritone, tuba) - **Wednesday, Aug 21 (4 - 6 pm)**
 - Rhythm (Piano, Drums, Bass, Guitar, Vibes, Aux) - **Monday, Aug 26 (4 - 6 pm)**

I look forward to having your students in band this year and seeing you all at our band booster meetings and open house! We are in NEED of more band booster positions filled and volunteers/donations throughout the year. Please reach out and jump in when available! Here is to a wonderful year of music!

Ms. Baker

