



Buckeye Instrumental Music Department

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Who: 7th Grade Band Students and Parents
What: 8th Grade Band Course Selection Sheet
When: May Update
Why: 8th Grade Band Course Selections

Dear 7th Grade Band Students and Parents,

Students that wish to enroll in 8th Grade Concert Band and 8th Grade Marching Band students will be scheduled at the same time and will combine with the high school band and merge with the High School Band Program. It was decided that Marching Band lasts 9 weeks of the school year and the other 27 weeks functions as a concert band.

Our future 8th Graders have to make a choice for one elective next year against five possible elective options. Students only have room for 1 elective next year. Please support and continue with the 8th grade band for the entire year.

Our Junior High will be entering into a 7 period day and one of the periods will be for enrichment activities. This was due to the new schedule for next school year. The best scenario after researching the situation is to keep the 8th Grade Band intact and schedule at the same time as the High School Band and merge them so that they can perform as a marching band and perform as a concert band keeping the 8th Grade class intact together and keeping the marching band intact and together. All band members will perform music and study music throughout the year. Guidance Department is working hard to schedule students the best that they can in this schedule.

Marching Band rehearsals are held at intervals in the summer for reading purposes and marching training. In August, the band will rehearse throughout the month. Once school year begins in the fall, rehearsals are during the day. The band rehearses on Thursday evenings 6:00 to 8:15 P.M. during the school year. Tuesdays, students will have sectionals after school until 4:30 P.M. Students are able to successfully participate in Athletics and Marching Band. Many hours have been spent by our faculty and administration to make the schedule work successfully and in harmony with the high school master schedule.

I will be more than happy to talk to you if you need more information. 330-722-8257x3038. Changes can be made to the schedule but it is easier if we can get things in place **NOW** instead of later. Band students are scheduled as a top priority to get them scheduled correctly. Please contact Ms. Schamp at the Junior High at 330-722-8257 x2103 if you have any questions.

Musically yours,

Greg King
Band Director