Chesterfield Elementary School Band

Dear Chesterfield Parent,

It is with great pleasure that I am able to announce that Chesterfield Elementary School is, once again, offering instrumental music instruction to students in grades four, five, and six! Chesterfield has offered instrumental music and band instruction for more than forty years, and I am very excited to continue our school's tradition of offering these music lessons this year.

This voluntary program is offered to any child in fourth, fifth, and sixth grade. Those students are eligible to participate in instrumental music during the 2022-2023 school year. Lessons are FREE and will be offered once per cycle, during in-person and small group lessons in the school day. Children will be grouped with other students of the same ability (1st year/ 2nd year/ third year), who play the same instrument. The student lesson book is Essential Elements for Band BOOK 1.

Chesterfield offers instrumental instruction on flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, baritone horn (similar to tuba), and percussion/snare drum. The Chesterfield program is considered a "band" program, and is consistent with the programs offered throughout Northern Burlington Middle and High Schools.

Students may rent an instrument through Music & Arts (<u>www.musicarts.com</u>). If you already have an instrument in the family, or you would like to purchase an instrument, please contact me so I can check that that instrument will provide the best musical experience for your child.

If you would like to learn more about instrumental music education, playing an instrument, and the benefits that band offers for your child, feel free to check out this website by Music & Arts (https://www.bepartofthemusic.org) to *Be Part of the Band*!

Please feel free to contact me with any questions!

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