

Parent Pizza Social and Volunteer Sign-Up

Thursday, August 15th beginning at 5:30pm in the school cafeteria

This is not mandatory- but is VERY MUCH appreciated. At this meeting, we will have FREE pizza and drinks for the family. Information about the different band events throughout the year will be shared. Parents will be able to sign up to help the band boosters and Mr. Ostrow.

Beginning Band Instrument Test Drive

Tuesday, August 20th from 5:30-7:30pm in the school cafeteria

At this meeting, we will decide what instrument you will play and whether or not you will use a school instrument or rent/purchase from a vendor. The following three steps will take place:

- Step 1:** You will select your top 3 choices (occurred in class)
- Step 2:** With a professional's help, you will "try out" your top 3 choices (and more *if necessary*).
- Step 3:** Together, we decide which instrument will work best for you and then work to acquire an instrument with your parents.



If your child already has an instrument; please bring it to the test drive so we can make sure that your child has all the accessories/music. **The following Thursday (See Below) we will begin playing the instruments. Please DO NOT miss this!** Parents, if you absolutely cannot attend, please contact Mr. Ostrow to set up a before or after school consultation with you and your child:
tim.ostrow@yourcharlotteschools.net or by phone at 941-697-5800 Ext. 255.

Beginning Band Basic Training

When: Thursday, August 22nd

Time: After School to 7p.m. **Pizza Dinner Provided**

Where: Ainger MS Cafeteria

Who: ALL Ainger Beginning Band students. Parents pick up at 7p.m.

In order to take the instruments home, beginners need to complete basic training. This can be completed at the BBT. At this event, a professional musician, that plays your child's instrument, will go over the basics for that instrument in a sectional. The sectionals help accelerate the learning process as Mr. Ostrow works with large classrooms with nine different instruments during the school day. A free pizza dinner will be provided for your child. Following the event, parents just need to pick up their children at the front of the school.