



Paul Harding Junior High

7th Grade Band News:

- Parents, thank you for reading the band newsletter. Send me an email with any questions you may have- or simply say hello- and your student will receive stars from me and a prize. (please include your student's name in the email!)
- All students are highly encouraged to attend the Mynett Music night on Sept. 10th. See the page below.
- Our concert date has been updated since the last newsletter! **Our concert for all grades in band will be October 17th at 6:00pm.** This date does not conflict with other PHJH activities such as sports.
- Students have received a handbook in class and have gone over the information with me. I've asked them to share the handbook with you and to have you sign it and return to me. Communication is essential for our band program- please ask your students about this. The handbook contains important information about concert attire and how to get a band instrument. I've included information about how to get a band instrument below.

3 Ways To Get An Instrument for Band Class:

1. Mynett Music: Instruments are available for rent through Mynett Music. These instruments are quality checked and approved by technicians. I recommend that you use Mynett to rent your instrument. A representative comes to PHJH each week to work with Mrs. Kesar on repairs and deliver supplies.

2. Instruments found on your own: Look for instruments from a friend or relative or bought from a Flea Market, Facebook Marketplace, Ebay, garage sale etc. These types of places sell used instruments and often times you can find very good deals! Do be wary of very worn out or broken instruments. Please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Kesar (rkesar@eacs.k12.in.us) if you would like a list of reliable instrument brands to help with your shopping.

3. School Instruments: PHJH has instruments for student use. *Students who are signed up for band will receive a school instrument if they need one, and no student will be turned away because of finances.* To help keep instruments in working order, it is requested that students using PHJH instruments offer a one time usage fee of \$25 for the school year. The school owns a limited number of each instrument, so students using school instruments may not get to play their first choice instrument.

Upcoming Events:

- September 10th: Mynett Music night 5-7pm @ Band Room
- October 17th: Fall Concert 6:00pm (student arrival time TBD)
REQUIRED for students**
- December 13th: Winter Concert. 6:00pm REQUIRED for students.

Mynett Music Night:

September 10th is Paul Harding Junior High School's "Mynett Music Night." From 5-7pm, our local music store, Mynett Music, will have representatives in the PHJH **Band Room** to host instrument fittings and rentals. Attendance at this event is highly encouraged for all students enrolled in band- and the event is FREE to attend. Students will be able to try out one or two instruments with the help of Mrs. Kesar and Mynett professionals. **Please note that you are NOT required to rent and instrument from Mynett.** Should you decide to rent from Mynett on the night of the event, you will receive a rental discount, and a t-shirt.

As always, please contact with me with any questions or concerns!

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