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Sign Up Form

Student _____
(First Name) (Last Name)

Phone Number _____

Teacher _____ Room # _____

School attending in 5th grade: _____

My child is interested in playing:
(List 3 top choices in order of preference.)

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

Do you own or have a band/strings instrument
available to you?

____ Yes ____ No

If yes, which one(s)? _____

Does your child currently take piano lessons?

____ Yes ____ No

Will your child be getting braces in the next few
years?

____ Yes ____ No

My child has permission to try out different
band /string instruments.

(Parent Signature)

(Phone Number)

Choosing to play an instrument is the beginning
of a journey - one that is filled with fun and
enjoyment, but also requires some work and
dedication.

Listed below are some of the many benefits of
playing an instrument.

Learning to Play an Instrument:

- Reduces Stress and Anxiety
- Produces Patience and Perseverance
- Develops Music Appreciation
- Cultivates Creativity
- Uses Almost Every Part Of The Brain
- Develops Time-Management Skills
- Increases Memory Capability
- Enhances Emotional Perception
- Boosts Self Discipline
- Nurtures Confidence
- Promotes Brain Development
- Accelerates Reaction Times
- And Many More!

For more information about these bullet points visit:
<http://pianopower.org/16-benefits-of-playing-an-instrument/>

Can I play an instrument in Middle and High School and still participate in other activities?

YES! Most students who play an instrument in
middle school and high school also participate in
many extra curricular activities such as: All
Sports, Robotics/Coding Club, Forensics, Chess
Club, Drama Club, Math Club, Key Club, Hmong
Leadership Alliance, Student Council, and many
more!



Sheboygan Area School District Instrumental Music Program



**Playing a musical instrument
is a part of your child's
education in the SASD -
Just like reading, writing, and math!**

Now Is The Time To Sign Up And Start Playing!

Students entering the 5th grade have the opportunity to learn to play a musical instrument. The SASD offers instrumental music instruction to students beginning in the 5th grade continuing through 12th grade.

Instruments available for instruction:

Woodwinds:	Brass:	Strings:
Flute	Trumpet	Violin
Oboe*	French Horn*	Viola
Clarinet	Trombone	Cello
Saxophone	Baritone	
Bassoon*	Tuba*	
	Percussion	

**Instruments may not be available
at all elementary schools.*

Your child has or will be attending a demonstration of the band & string instruments at school. During this time, students are encouraged to ask questions about playing an instrument and about the instrument choices they may be interested in. Please take a few minutes to discuss playing an instrument with your child.

How much does it cost?

Instruments may be rented from the SASD for a yearly rental fee of \$20.00.

If the instrument your child wants to play is not available through the SASD, you may rent or purchase an instrument from a local music store. Please be aware that there are limited quantities of certain instruments available to rent from the SASD. If there is a shortage of a particular instrument, that instrument will be assigned through a lottery. Be assured that all students will be able to play an instrument in which they are interested in AND can be successful at!

Other costs include:

- Lesson book - \$10.00
- Other supplies - \$10.00 - \$20.00 (depending on instrument choice)

***If your child wants to play,
We will find a way!***

Please note: If there are financial concerns relating to these costs that would prevent your child from playing an instrument, please let your band/string teacher know and they will work with you.

Is There A Time Commitment?

Students are expected to practice at home between their weekly lessons. The amount of time a child practices directly relates to their progress, enjoyment and success. Playing an instrument well requires both commitment and responsibility. These are beneficial qualities for all students to develop!

How Do I Sign Up?

Students who want to participate in band or strings need to return this sign-up form to their classroom teacher by the deadline indicated.

These students will then have the opportunity to "try out" a few different instruments. This try-out session is needed to determine which instrument(s) are a good match for your child based on his/her instrument interest and matching physical characteristics (lip structure, finger/hand size, braces). Your child and instrumental music teacher will pick an instrument together. This process will help to ensure a positive instrument match and playing experience for your child.

PLEASE NOTE: All SASD

- instruments and mouthpieces have been cleaned and sanitized with an Ultrasonic cleaner and/or Steri-Spray (a sanitizer/disinfectant) to kill any possible traces of the COVID-19.
- This has been done to ensure your child's health and safety!