



Weekly Notes...  
Week of August 30 - September 3, 2021

- All Band Classes 6th-8th Grades
  - Deadline for instrument acquisition is Sept. 13
  - Band fee (\$50) is due Sept. 10
  - Signed handbook forms and information form is PAST DUE - here is the link for the info form: <https://forms.gle/2DkNhMqc6YjPsUGY8>
  - Practice logs will begin the week of Sept. 13
  - 8th Graders will play at the HHS football game on Sept. 10th! It is a required performance!
- 6th Grade Band
  - We are learning to read rhythms and notes on the staff before we ever open our instrument cases. Students will have to pass a flash card test before they can learn to play their first sounds on their instruments!
- 7th Grade Band
  - Returning band students are working on fundamental skills such as long tones and technique exercises to strengthen their skills after a long summer of not playing.
  - New band students are learning to read rhythms and notes on the staff while waiting on their instruments. We will all begin together on September 13th.
- 8th Grade Band
  - We are working on fundamental skills such as long tones, technique exercises, and range extension exercises. We are continuing to work on stands-tunes to play at the high school football games. We will begin working on Christmas music this week (yes, in September!) to prepare for our concert in December.
- Music Appreciation
  - Students will complete a composition project that they began last week. Each student composed an 8 beat rhythm, and this week, they will perform it on percussion instruments with a small group. They will also learn to analyze performances for accuracy and creativity.