

# **2018-2019 PRAIRIE CROSSING CHARTER SCHOOL BAND PROGRAM**

## **General Description:**

The band program is open to students in grades 3 through 8. Group lessons are given during the school day with band rehearsals before school. Three bands are offered: Beginner Band, Intermediate Band and Concert Band. Two concerts are presented each year—in December and May—and provide music during 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation each year. A number of other performance opportunities are available for experienced players.

## **Enrollment:**

Enrollment for Beginner Band is at the beginning of the school year. All students attend an assembly to introduce them to the program and the instruments offered. Students have the opportunity to try the instruments to determine which instrument they would like to play. New students and their parents attend a meeting to learn about the program, obtain equipment and supplies, register and pay the fees. All fees also apply to late enrollees. Students who enroll three weeks or more after the start of the program must take private lessons—in addition to the program lessons—until playing at class level.

## **Fees:**

The program is entirely dependent on user fees. Program fees for the 2018–19 school year are:

Beginner Band will cost \$240 for each band term--September-December and January-May. The \$240 September-December band term payment is due August 31 or in 3 dated checks—\$80—August 31; \$80—September 24; and \$80—October 24. The \$240 January-May band term payment is due January 13 or in 3 dated checks—\$80—January 13; \$80—February 13; \$80—March 13. Person-to-person payment (such as Zelle) can be used for in-full payment each term. In-full credit card payments can also be used—\$249 for each term (includes service fee).

Intermediate and Concert Band will cost \$295 for each band term—September-December and January-May. The \$295 September-December band term payment is due August 31 or in 3-dated checks—\$100—August 31; \$100—September 24; and \$95—October 24. The \$295 January-May band term payment is due January 13 or in 3 dated checks \$100—January 13; \$100—February 13; and \$95—March 13. Person-to-person payment (such as Zelle) can be used for in-full payment each term. In-full credit card payments can also be used—\$306 for each term (includes service fee).

Make checks out to Jim Spigner. Contact Jim at [jspigner300@gmail.com](mailto:jspigner300@gmail.com) or text or call him at 1-847-828-7263 to set up person-to-person payment (such as Zelle) or for credit card payment fill in the information on the registration form. Mail completed registration form with in-full check, 3 dated checks, or credit card information by each band term's pay due date—August 31 or January 13—to:

Jim Spigner  
350 Chesterfield Lane  
Vernon Hills, IL 60061

If you want you can also mail dated January-May band term payments checks along with the September-May band term checks.

**Withdrawal:**

Students are encouraged to continue in the program throughout the school year and each year they are at Prairie Crossing. If withdrawal is necessary, the following refund policy applies:

Within the first three weeks—full refund less prorated amount for the number of weeks in the program minus a non-refundable amount of \$20. No refunds after three weeks.

**Weekly Schedule:**

Mondays: Concert Band practice from 7:00am-8:00am; start September 17, 2018

Tuesday: Intermediate Band practice from 7:00am-8:00am; start September 18, 2018

Tuesdays: Woodwind Lessons 8:15am – 11:15am (30 minute lesson blocks); start September 4, 2018

Brass Lessons 1:00pm – 4:00pm (30 minute lesson blocks); start September 4, 2018

Percussion Lessons 8:15-9:45am (30 minute lesson blocks); start September 4, 2018

Wednesdays: Beginner Band practice from 7:15am – 8:00am; starts September 19, 2018

Thursdays: Concert Band practice from 7:00am-8:00am; starts September 20, 2018

Fridays: Intermediate Band practice from 7:00am-8:00am; starts September 21, 2018

Lessons will begin September 4<sup>th</sup> for all band students. Quinlan & Fabish Music Company will have the rented instruments delivered that morning for new students. After two weeks of lessons, full band rehearsals will start on September 17<sup>th</sup>.