

# *BAND IN THE 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE INFORMATION!*

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC CLASSES ARE NOW BEING ORGANIZED  
FOR STUDENTS ENTERING THE 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE!

Recently your child participated in  
a live demonstration of various band instruments.  
Very soon, all students will have the opportunity to  
actually test instruments of their choice, while  
you observe!

Announcing:

***2013 SPRING RECORDER CONCERT***  
***7:00 P.M. - Tuesday, APRIL 30***  
***Geneseo High School Gym***

***\*\*\*FEATURING\*\*\****

**Your child performing with**  
**The Fifth Grade Recorder Ensemble**  
**...and**  
**the 6th Grade Band**  
**High School Honors Band**

*Being part of the band program is a wonderful experience for any child as Geneseo has a long tradition of producing SUPERIOR bands. Also, there is conclusive evidence that playing a musical instrument does improve a child's intellectual and social development. Students in music are consistently the top students in every grade. Furthermore, a truly successful band program is a rewarding endeavor that benefits the family, school, and community. (REALLY, can you imagine Homecoming without the band?!)*

YOU WILL BE ABLE TO SCHEDULE A CONFERENCE ("TEST DRIVE" THE INSTRUMENTS) TIME FOR YOUR STUDENT AFTER THE CONCERT. WE WILL BE SCHEDULING STUDENTS FOR A TIME ON WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, OR FRIDAY MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2<sup>ND</sup>, OR 3<sup>RD</sup>, SO **CHECK YOUR SCHEDULE** BEFORE YOU GO TO THE CONCERT! **CONFERENCE TIMES WILL BE SCHEDULED BETWEEN 3:00-8:00 P.M. ON THE ABOVE DATES.**



\*\*\*\*\*SEE REVERSE SIDE\*\*\*\*\*

During these conferences each student will try different instruments to determine which they are best suited for. Therefore, reserving a conference time is very important. Conferences will be held at the MIDDLE SCHOOL

GRIGGS MUSIC will assist in testing your child on the instruments and explain their instrument rental program during the conferences. There are other music stores in the area and you have the freedom of dealing with any store you choose. However, we have selected GRIGGS MUSIC as the store we wish to service our school twice each week throughout the school year. They have been in business for over 100 years and have a thorough knowledge of school bands. Over the years, their support, expertise and quality of service has proven to be reliable and convenient for local pick-up and delivery of various supplies and instruments. We do recommend leasing/renting an instrument for all beginners to assure a good beginning without interruption due to faulty or broken equipment, as instruments from GRIGGS are guaranteed throughout the entire rental period. You will have the opportunity to **reserve an instrument through a rental program** at your individual conference time.

If you prefer securing an instrument on your own, we ask that **you bring it to the scheduled conference time** to check it over before lessons begin to insure that your son/daughter will be successful

WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU DURING YOUR INDIVIDUAL CONFERENCE, TO BE SCHEDULED AT THE RECORDER CONCERT.

Sincerely,

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BEGINNING BAND LESSON ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE NOW!!

Please return the following questionnaire  
To your child's classroom teacher by FRIDAY, APRIL 26<sup>th</sup>

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I am interested in my child joining the band. YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Student's name \_\_\_\_\_ Classroom Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred beginning band instrument: 1st \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_