

5th Grade Band Days

April 14, 15 and 17, 2021

Lopez MS Band Hall

Dear Future Lopez MS Band Members,

We are so excited for you to join our band family! If you have chosen **BAND** as your elective **OR** are still wondering which elective to take in 6th grade, we are inviting you to our band hall for the opportunity to try the band instruments and decide which will be the best fit for you. Please note that this is a mandatory process for all incoming band members, as it helps us to place you in the correct instrument class period for next year. Once you have completed this process, you will be notified via email of your instrument selection. We will also include a supply list for your instrument to give you plenty of time to purchase or rent all equipment before school begins in August.

Please sign-up for an appointment using the Sign-Up Genius link below. Appointments are 30 minutes long and are available after school on April 14th and 15th, and throughout the day on April 17th. **Even if you did not sign up for band on your choice sheet yet.....it is NOT too late! Simply email band directors at kgarza1@neisd.net or jpowel4@neisd.net to let us know of your interest in band, and we can easily create another appointment time for you.**

When you arrive at Lopez for your appointment, please enter parking lot with the Lopez marquis sign and park down by the tennis courts. Signs will be posted to help you find your way. Once you enter the band hall, sign in at the entry table. Once it is your turn, you will be helped to an available station to begin your instrument selection process.

Rest assured that we will be taking every safety protocol so that this is a wonderful and safe experience for everyone. Masks and social distancing are required on campus at all times. To keep this process as safe as possible, only two guardians/family members will be allowed to travel to the stations with their child. It is also recommended that you bring your own hand sanitizer. We aim to do a thorough job in placing students on the correct instrument and hosting a safe environment for all, so we thank you in advance for following all safety protocols.

We look forward to meeting our FUTURE LOPEZ BAND MEMBERS very soon!

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Please click on this sign-up genius link to select your appointment time:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D4AABA72DABF49-5thgrade>

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Band can provide this foundation for your child!

- Self-discipline •Time Management •Teamwork
- Develop performance confidence •High self-esteem •Hard work
- Effective Communication •Manners & Respect •Resilience •Multi-tasking
- Good sportsmanship •Tolerance of others •Conquer fears & take risks
- Every one is important and has value •Generosity & Trust
- Innovation •Flexibility & Problem Solving •Sacrifice •Sense of belonging
- A love of music and friendships that will last a lifetime!

Dr. Tim (education expert) says:

Being a musician (or performer) maps the human mind for success; success in all avenues of life. The learned skills needed to excel in music are transferable to every academic subject. Playing a musical instrument creates a multi-dimensional template of quality adaptable to every personal and professional challenge.

FACT: Music education helps students achieve in other academic subjects like math, science and reading.

FACT: Three quarters of Fortune 1000 executives were involved in some type of music program while in school.

FACT: Students who participate in school band or orchestra have the lowest levels of current and lifelong use of alcohol, tobacco and drugs among any group in our society.

FACT: Students involved in band and fine arts in general are showing highest scores on the SAT exams each year.

-Courtesy of "Music for All"

