



Kenwood Band

Student and Parent Information

FALL 2018

Welcome to the Kenwood Band. We are excited to make music with your child!

Instrument & Music Assignment, Care, Repair, Rental Contract & Return

Your child has been assigned a specific instrument that includes a case number and an instrument number. A music book has also been assigned to your child. It is your and your child's responsibility to ensure the music book and instrument are safe while in your care. Following these tips will keep your music book and instrument in great condition:

- Find a safe place at home to consistently store the music book and instrument. This should be a place that is away from heat sources and in a place where the instrument will not be jarred or knocked over.
- Always store the instrument in its case.
- Do not share the instrument with anyone who does not know how to play it and care for it.

The student forfeits the right to the instrument if the instrument becomes severely damaged or the student stops attending lessons. If your instrument requires minor repair, please bring the instrument to your instructor for assessment.

A signed rental contract must be turned in to the instructor at the first class. A copy of the rental contract can be downloaded and printed here: <https://twintown.com/kenwood>. A copy will also be emailed to you, and a paper copy will be sent home with your child. Please note that your child cannot take the instrument home until the rental contract is signed and returned to the instructor.

At the last class of the session, students are required to turn in their music book and instrument to their instructor. If the instrument or music book is lost, stolen or damaged, the student and parent are responsible for the replacement or repair cost designated by Minneapolis Public Schools.

Payment

Please send a check in the amount of \$175, made out to Twin Town Guitars, on the first day of class and give it to your instructor. Note that your child cannot take the instrument home until payment is received.

Class Routine

After school, students go to the multipurpose room for snack. We respectfully ask that you send snacks that are nut free to avoid any complications that may arise for students with allergies. When snack time is finished, we move to our assigned rooms for class. **Pick up time is at 3:30pm in the Kenwood atrium, or we will send students to Minneapolis Kids and Rec Plus as indicated on your registration form.**

Class Calendar

Tuesdays for Trumpets, Clarinets & Saxophones

Week 1 October 2nd

Week 2 October 9th

NO CLASS October 16th

Week 3 October 23rd

NO CLASS October 30th

Week 4 November 6th

Week 5 November 13th

NO CLASS November 20th

Week 6 November 27th

Week 7 December 4th

Week 8 December 11th

Thursdays for Trombones & Flutes

Week 1 October 4th

Week 2 October 11th

NO CLASS October 18th

Week 3 October 25th

NO CLASS November 1st

Week 4 November 8th

Week 5 November 15th

NO CLASS November 22nd

Week 6 November 29th

Week 7 December 6th

Week 8 December 13th

Communication

Band instructors may be reached via email at:

Trumpet & Trombone: Sten Johnson at Sten.Johnson@yahoo.com

Clarinet, Saxophone & Flute: Lucia Sarmiento at luciasarmiento937@gmail.com

Twin Town Guitars Director of Music Education: Carrie Bell at carrie@twintown.com

Classroom Expectations, Practice & Student Support

On band days students should bring their instrument, music book, and a snack. And, during class the students are expected to listen to and follow directions, to only play their instrument when invited to play, to give their best effort, to be respectful of everyone, and to have fun!

As a parent, you can help your child be successful with their instrument and really enjoy band time by establishing a daily practice habit. Find a comfortable and quiet place where your child can consistently focus on their practice. Ask them to show you the proper way to handle, put together, and clean their instrument. After a few lessons, ask them to play something for you, other family members, neighbors and friends. And, if you played in band, be sure to share your favorite memories, and let them know about the fun that is to come in middle school, high school and college band!