



## Band at St. John Dry Ridge during 2024-2025!

This school year (2024-2025) the 4<sup>th</sup> grade through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will have the opportunity to participate in after-school band. The St. John Dry Ridge Band Program is small group music lessons on the instruments you would find in a high school marching band. There is no marching involved here. But a lot of fun. Students may choose from the following instruments: **Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Bells (xylophone), or Snare Drum.** This band program is being brought to St. John Dry Ridge by **The Music Staff** and therefore has a separate fee from tuition (please see below). Families are also responsible for the rental of the music instrument. Band begins in September. We will allow sign-ups through the month of September. Students who have participated in one or more years of band and are continuing on the same instrument are in Advanced Band. All students who are new to their chosen instrument are in the Beginner Band.

**Eligible Students:** **Beginner Band:** Any student, in 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, who has not played the instrument before.  
**Advanced Band:** Any student, in 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade, who has a year or more experience on the instrument.

**Day of Band:** **Beginner Band** = FRIDAY BEFORE SCHOOL **Advanced Band** = TUESDAY BEFORE SCHOOL

**Time:** **Beginner Band** = 7:10 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. **Advanced Band** = 7:10 a.m. to 7:50 a.m.

**Location:** Before School in the Music Room. **Drop off** at the Music Room door between 7 am and 7:10 am.

**Demonstration:** All instruments will be demonstrated to all 4<sup>th</sup> graders. You may also watch online demonstrations: <https://www.bepartofthemusic.org/bpotb/index.html> Click on "Videos" in the top right corner.

**First Day of Band:** **Beginner Band** = FRIDAY, Sept 6<sup>th</sup>. **Advanced Band** = TUESDAY, Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>. Continues through May 16, 2025.

**Fees:** Band fees are collected twice during the school year. (The form below does give the option to pay the year in full.)  
One Child in Band = \$240, which is collected now and again in January 2025.  
Two or More Children in Band from the same family = \$420, which is collected now & in January 2025.

**Sign Up:** Please fill out the form at the bottom of this page. Please make the check or money order out to "**St. John Dry Ridge**" and **bring it to Mrs. Breda at the first rehearsal.** Rent an instrument & bring it to band.

**Concerts:** Your school's band combines with all of my school bands, to create one large band for concerts. All band members are expected to attend and participate in all concerts. The following list is our scheduled concerts. Please save these dates!

1. **Combined Bands Christmas Rehearsal:** Monday, December 16, 2024:

Location: Roger Bacon High School Auditorium:  
a. Beginner Band Rehearsal 5:30 – 6:30 pm  
b. Advanced Band Rehearsal 6:30 – 8 pm

2. **Combined Bands Christmas Concert:** Tuesday, December 17, 2024: 7 pm Location: Roger Bacon High School Auditorium, 4320 Vine Street, 45217

3. **Combined Bands Spring Rehearsal:** Monday, May 12, 2025:

Location: Roger Bacon High School Auditorium:  
a. Beginner Band Rehearsal 5:30 – 6:30 pm  
b. Advanced Band Rehearsal 6:30 – 8 pm

4. **Combined Bands Spring Concert:** Tuesday, May 13, 2025: 7 pm.

Location: Roger Bacon High School Auditorium,

### Music Instrument Rental Locations:

**Buddy Roger's Music** = <https://buddyrogers.com/>

**Willis Music** = <http://www.willismusic.com/>

Monthly instrument rentals range in price from approximately \$25 to \$40 for a Used instrument. If you are renting a New instrument, the cost will be slightly higher. **If the instrument rental is a family financial hardship, contact Mrs. Breda!**

**Communication:** I utilize the app **ClassDojo** for all of my communications. You will receive an invitation to join our **ClassDojo** group for Band!

### This Band Program is brought to you by:

**The Music Staff**

**Band Director:**

Cell = 513-675-4889

Mrs. Beth Breda

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### BAND REGISTRATION FORM:

### First Semester 2024 (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please print the best email address to send important info to you and your child.

Check here for type of Band:

Email 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Beginner Band

Email 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Advanced Band

Email 3 \_\_\_\_\_

### First Semester Fees: Please checkmark the appropriate payment choice below:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$240.00 for one child (If you wish to pay for the whole school year: \_\_\_\_\_ \$480 for one child for the year.)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$420.00 for two or more children in the same family (OR \_\_\_\_\_ \$840 for two or more kids for the year)

**Please hand to Mrs. Breda at the first rehearsal. Make check out to: St. John Dry Ridge.** The Music Staff is no longer an Ohio ACE provider.

"Music is well said to be the speech of angels." - Thomas Carlyle

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