

Beginning Band will start Thursday, September 9. Bring your instruments and music books to school that day.

- Instruments, books, and masks
 - Each student is required to provide their own instrument. You may rent an instrument from a music store or you may already have one to use.
 - Each student is required to purchase the method book **Sound Innovations** for their particular instrument which may be purchased through Grigg's music or Amazon.
 - While we have a mask mandate, each student will be responsible for providing his/her own mask to use during band rehearsal. Mrs. Spreeman will discuss more about this.
- Playing at home is essential to musical progress.
 - Find a place in your home where you can play your instrument uninterrupted.
 - Plan to begin playing your instrument for 15 minutes at a time and then increase from there.
 - Set a goal of playing your instrument at home at least four times a week and give mini concerts for your parents! This will make playing at home fun for you and your family!
- Lessons will be held on Thursdays during school hours.
- Beginning Band rehearsal will take place on Thursdays from 2:30-3pm.
 - Students should bring their instruments, band book, and mask.
 - All students are expected to stay unless you have an appointment that cannot be rescheduled. Any student who needs to leave early must have a note or email from a parent. This is an important measure for your child's safety.
- Concerts
 - Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at 1:30pm and 6:30pm
 - Sunday, January 30, 2022 in the Holloway Center at 11:30am. Catholic Schools Week Breakfast.
 - TBD Friday, March 2022 during Fish Fry at the Holloway Center. 5:30pm
 - Saturday, April 23, 2022 at the Holloway Center, Student Recital. 6:30pm
 - Thursday, May 12, 2022 in the school gym. 1:30pm and 6:30pm
 - Additional performances as events arise.
- Fee for the year is \$160 per student and is due by **Thursday, September 30th**.
 - Checks should be made payable to Brandi Spreeman (Not St. Mary's)
 - PayPal is also accepted.
- Contact Information
 - Parents are encouraged to contact me by email at bspreeman@stmarysdixon.org
 - Most communication you receive from me will be through email.