

Welcome to Mr. Sloniker's Elementary Band Room!

Welcome to Mr. Sloniker's 6th grade band program! You have decided to take the wonderful step into instrumental music. In this class, students will learn the following objectives:

- Basic Music Reading and Theory Skills
- How to play an instrument of choice
- Maintenance of instruments and supplies
- How to practice and be better musicians

Some basic items you will need for this class are:

- Pencil (no pens/markers/etc)
- Folder
- Chromebook
- Set of headphones (for chromebook)

Woodwind Instruments (Flutes, Clarinets, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Bass Clarinet)

- 1 pack of RICO Reeds - Level 2 Hardness (Clarinet and Alto Saxophones)
- Neck strap (Saxophones Only)
- Essential Elements 2000 for your instrument (Book 1 - Yellow Cover)

Brass Instruments (Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Baritone/Euphonium, Tuba)

- Mouthpiece (for your instrument - Instrument)
- Valve Oil (trumpets, baritones, tuba)
- Slide Oil/Grease (Trombones)
- Rotary Oil (French Horns)
- Slide Grease (All Brass)
- Essential Elements 2000 for your instrument (Book 1 - Yellow Cover)

Percussion Instruments (Snare, Keyboard)

- 1 pair of drumsticks
- 1 practice pad
- 1 set of bells (if able) w/ hard plastic mallets
- Essential Elements 2000 for your instrument (Book 1 - Yellow Cover)

These items can be found at Muncie Music Center (765) 284-4481) or at amazon.com. Please refrain from buying instruments online without proper inspections being done. Consult Mr. Sloniker before doing this! This will save you money in the long run!

More information will be provided in these early weeks. Students will begin to learn basic music theory skills prior to picking up our instruments. Students are asked to have their instruments in hand by the week of September 2nd. If you have any questions about this please do not hesitate to ask! My email asloniker@nettlecreek.k12.in.us or phone number at 765-625-0304. Additional materials can be found at www.tigersounds.weebly.com.

I can not wait to get to work with all of you wonderful students!

- Mr. Sloniker