

## District After School Band Program

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Hello Grade 6 Parents/Guardians.

Please note that Sunshine Hills will **not** have a band program this year. The District has determined that an After School Band Program is a wonderful option for those schools without band. I am sending this message to inform you that we do have a music program lead by David Medzon, our new music teacher. I have attached the District form for you if you have not received it. You will find all the information you need regarding the After School Band Program. Please reach out to the contacts listed on the form for any questions you have regarding the After School Band Program.

Thank you so much and have a lovely day.

Respectfully,

Keri Hanlon

Principal/Directrice

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# Afterschool Grade 6/7 Band Program



## Program Details:

- Weekly sessions (other than holidays) until May
- No prior band experience required
- Intended for students who don't have a band program at their school. Students from schools that have instrumental band are still welcome. In the event of space limitations, priority will be given to schools without instrumental band. Program teachers will communicate to families in this situation.
- Families pay for the instrument rental and purchase a required method book for their instrument (approx \$20). These are available from Tapestry Music or amazon.ca (other local music stores are likely to have these books as well).
- Families are also responsible for any accessories needed (reeds, valve oils, etc)
- No other costs to families to attend the program
- Students are expected to practice regularly on their own
- Students do not have to register at their catchment Secondary School. They can choose whichever location best meets their schedule.

[Click here to register your child for the After School Band Program](#)

Please contact teachers at individual programs with any questions about the program. If the student has any medical or other concerns, please notify the program teachers.

## Program Locations:

<p><b>South Delta Secondary</b> Mondays (3:30 - 5:00) starting Oct 2nd</p> <p>(*Due to holidays on Oct 2nd and 9th, the first two weeks of the South Delta Program will be on Wednesdays: Oct 4th and 11th)</p> <p>Teacher contact: Albert Chan (<a href="mailto:achan@deltaschools.ca">achan@deltaschools.ca</a>)</p> <p>Method Book: Essential Elements for Band (Book 1)</p>	<p><b>Sands Secondary</b> Tuesdays (3:30 - 5:00) starting Oct 3rd</p> <p>Teacher contact: Joanna Tseng (<a href="mailto:jtseng@deltaschools.ca">jtseng@deltaschools.ca</a>)</p> <p>Method Book: Essential Elements for Band (Book 1)</p>
<p><b>Delta Secondary School</b> Wednesdays (3:30 - 5:00) starting Oct 4th</p> <p>Teacher contacts: Catherine Campbell (<a href="mailto:ccampbell@deltaschools.ca">ccampbell@deltaschools.ca</a>) &amp; Pamela Ferguson (<a href="mailto:pferguson@deltaschools.ca">pferguson@deltaschools.ca</a>)</p> <p>Method Book: Essential Elements for Band (Book 1)</p>	<p><b>Seaquam Secondary School</b> Wednesdays (3:45 - 5:15) starting Sept 27 (*the first week will be without instruments)</p> <p>Teacher contacts: Michelle Chan (<a href="mailto:mchan@deltaschools.ca">mchan@deltaschools.ca</a>) &amp; Jonathan Lee (<a href="mailto:jlee@deltaschools.ca">jlee@deltaschools.ca</a>)</p> <p>Method Book: Best in Class (Book 1)</p>

## Program Schedule:

\*After registration any details or changes with dates will be communicated by individual program teachers

### Late September: students choose and rent (if needed) their instrument

To help students decide what to play, Tapestry Music will be hosting 4 "Show and Tell" sessions where they will demo instruments. After attending one of these sessions, parents then go to the Tapestry school rentals website to complete the rental agreement:

<https://www.tapestrymusic.com/t-rentalprogram.aspx>

1. Choose the payment option: Buy Back, School Year Rental or Monthly Rental
2. Select School District: Delta
3. Select School: one of the AfterSchool Programs
4. Purchase the necessary method book for the instrument as well

After completing the online rental form, the chosen instruments will be delivered to each school in time for the first after school session. Parents do not need to pick up the instruments at Tapestry. For more detailed information or questions regarding rentals, please contact Tapestry Music at 604-538-0906.

**Families using Tapestry need to complete the online rental by Friday September 22.** This is to give Tapestry enough time to organize all the instruments needed.

#### Tapestry Show and Tell dates:

Monday Sept 18th	6pm	South Delta Secondary
Tuesday Sept 19th	6pm	Sands Secondary
Wednesday Sept 20th	6pm	Delta Secondary School
Thursday Sept 21st	6pm	Seaquam Secondary

#### Notes:

\*Families can attend any of the Tapestry Show and Tell sessions, not just the one at their school. This provides flexibility to accommodate busy family schedules.

\*Families do not need to register for a Show and Tell session. You can just show up at the school.

\*If students know which instrument they want to rent, they don't need to attend a Show and Tell session. They can register directly through the link above.

\*Families may rent an instrument from other music suppliers like Tom Lee Music or Long & McQuade.

### Oct - Mid Nov: Focus on beginner students

Each afterschool program will start with a focus on those students with little to no experience with their instrument. Any students are welcome to attend during this time, however experienced students should be aware that the level will be very introductory. If interested, experienced students are invited to join and help beginners get started.

### Mid Nov - May: All students

Program Teachers will communicate with families when they are ready to welcome the experienced students. This will most likely be in mid-November. All students attend together weekly for the rest of the year.