

**Announcing:**  
**5th Grade Band Percussion Tryouts**  
**For students of Mr. Bonner or Mr. Peske**

Percussion for the 5th grade band for this year will be decided based on tryouts held on **Tuesday, November 28, 2017 from 4:00-5:00 p.m at Day Creek Intermediate School (Room E3).** Tryouts will not be held at any other time or place. No rescheduled or otherwise-scheduled tryouts will be heard. In order to prepare for these tryouts, lessons will be held at Day Creek on:

- **Tuesday, November 7, 2017: 4:00-5:00 pm**
- **Thursday, November 9, 2017: 4:00-5:00 pm**
- **Tuesday, November 14, 2017: 4:00-5:00 pm**

Any 5th grader is welcome to attend and to tryout, even if they are not already in band. Attendance at these free lessons is highly encouraged because this is where the tryout material will be covered. These lessons and auditions will be conducted by a qualified professional who will be able to give a fair and unbiased assessment of each student.

**Recommended equipment:** *(none of this is required, but it will make it easier to practice.)*

- Vic Firth SD1 or 5B drumsticks
- drum practice pad
- metronome (or a metronome app or website)

If a student is already in band and is accepted into percussion, they will simply change to percussion from the instrument that they have been playing. If a student is not currently in band and is selected, they will begin to attend band rehearsals as scheduled. This is not an opportunity to join band on any other instrument; this is only to add percussionists. If a student has not been playing another instrument, and is not selected for percussion, they will not be able to join band with another instrument at this time.

**Tryouts and placement will be based on:**

- overall percussion skill
- teachability
- attitude

*(academic grades will be considered if the above categories are very close or tied.)*

**Please return the form below to your band teacher by November 3** if you are interested in being considered for percussion. Please return the form even if your student intends to only attend the tryout and not the practices. Please contact your school's band teacher with any questions.

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Yes, please schedule my child for percussion tryouts on **Tuesday, November 28, 2017 from 4:00-5:00 pm** at Day Creek School. I realize that this is the **ONLY** time and place for a tryout. There will be no exceptions.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

**Check all that apply:**

\_\_\_\_ Student is currently in band, so you already have my contact info.

\_\_\_\_ Student is **not** currently in band. **Parent Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Parent email:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Student **WILL** be attending the free lessons in November that precede the final tryout.

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_