VALLEY CENTER BANDS TIME TO JOIN 5TH GRADE BAND

WIND INSTRUMENT TRYOUTS AUGUST 19-21

During class time, Palen Music personnel will come to VCIS and let each 5th grade student try a flute, clarinet, trumpet, and trombone.

PERCUSSION TRYOUTS AUGUST 22-23

ANY student interested in playing percussion (bells and snare drum) **MUST** participate in these try-outs. Students will be notified via a list posted outside the band room if they've been recommended for the percussion section on Monday, August 26th.

INSTRUMENT RENTAL NIGHTS VCIS BAND ROOM (B1) AUGUST 26-27 (5:00 - 7:00PM)

Music store representatives will be available to discuss leasing or purchasing options for an instrument at this time. If you already own an instrument, they can evaluate it to see if it's in need of maintenance or repair. All other band needs (supplies listed below) can be purchased at this time as well. We also ask that students sign an agreement form committing them to the 5th grade band for one year. These forms are due back no later than Friday, Sept. 6th, as this is how we build our initial attendance roster. We will begin playing in class on September 3rd.

You are welcome to purchase/rent an instrument from any of Wichita's local music shops. Please use extreme caution when purchasing an instrument from anyone other than an authorized music store or dealer. This will ensure a quality instrument, as well as maintenance and repair services that will benefit the student and help ensure their overall success. Please refrain from obtaining an instrument until students have had the chance to try them out. This helps them decide where their natural aptitudes lie, as well as gives us a chance to look at instrumentation. If you have any questions at all, please feel free to contact Mary Wilkerson, Jan Verboom or Crystal Strawder, Valley Center Instrumental Music Co-Directors.

SUPPLIES NEEDED

- An instrument and its supplies (reeds, cleaning cloths, slide oil, cork grease, etc.)
- Method Books (Tradition of Excellence Book 1 and Count Me In)
- · Pencil, folder, and a hardworking, fun attitude

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