

Willowbrook Middle School Instrumental Music Overview

5th Grade Band

Fifth grade band is a one year class for students interested in learning a musical instrument. Students will be tested in fourth grade and will be recommended for the class. Students will not be allowed to switch instruments during the year. Each student will also have a twenty minute group lesson once a week. Students will usually perform at Fall Concert, Winter Concert, Spring Concert, Music Advocates Fundraiser, Memorial Day Parade, and Graduation.

6th Grade Band

Students will be allowed in class with one year band experience or beginning band lessons the summer prior to their sixth grade year with an instructor approved by the director. Each student will also have a twenty minute group lesson once a week as part of their grade. Students will perform at Roscoe Fall Festival Parade, Fall Concert, Winter Concert, Spring Concert, Music Advocates Fundraiser, Memorial Day Parade, and Graduation.

7/8 Grade Band

Students will be allowed in class with one year band experience or beginning band lessons the summer prior to their seventh or eighth grade year with an instructor approved by the director. Each student will also have a twenty minute group lesson once a week as part of their grade. Students will perform at Roscoe Fall Festival Parade, Hononegah Homecoming, Fall Concert, Winter Concert, Spring Concert, Music Advocates Fundraiser, Hononegah Area Music Festival, Memorial Day Parade, and Graduation.

Jazz Band I and II

All students at WMS are eligible to join our jazz program. Jazz I meets every Thursday morning from 7:00-7:40 am and consists of students in grades 7 and 8 and 6th graders that the director feels is advanced in playing skills. Jazz II meets second semester only on Tuesdays from 7:00- 7:40 am and consists of 6th grade and 5th graders that the director feels has excelled in the class. Jazz I will perform for the Fall Concert, Winter Concert, Music Advocates Fundraiser, Spring Concert and various community events. Jazz II is primarily a learning band, but if they excel, they will perform for the Spring Concert and other community events that arise.