



Dear 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Parents:

It is the time of year when we are getting ready to start beginners in our band program. This is an important decision for you and your child. This is not just a choice about band, but rather a choice based on what group of people will become the peers of your son or daughter.

Although many see band as a class about learning to play an instrument, it is much more than that. It is the development of a family of friends that lasts a lifetime. It is also the establishment of some rather profound environmental influences, which will determine much of your child's success in all aspects of education, not just band.

We know that band students represent the top of the academic scale in our schools. We know they are averaging 62 points higher on the ACT test, which would indicate they are stronger in verbal and math scores than other members of the student body. We also know band students enjoy a successful high school career, go on to college, and become leaders in our society.

One of the most positive impressions you can offer your child is the chance to learn self-discipline at the highest level via participation in band. Their social skills, communication skills, self-concepts, cooperative talents and creative mind will all be nurtured through their study of music. These life skills will serve as an important foundation as they take on various responsibilities in their future.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via email or phone at **rob.falvo@bloomcarroll.org** or **614-834-6746**. Additional information will be posted on our website periodically at [www.bloomcarrollbands.org](http://www.bloomcarrollbands.org) I look forward to meeting you and I am excited to have the opportunity to share the joy of music with your child!

Mr. Rob Falvo  
Director of Bands

**MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>**

*"FITTING" APPOINTMENTS at BCMS!*

During our class time, the students will have the opportunity to try & select their instruments. Physical limitations and/or the need to maintain a proper band balance may affect this decision.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> 6:30-7:30PM – MS AUDITORIUM**

**BLOOM CARROLL MIDDLE SCHOOL BEGINNING BAND PARENT MEETING**

On September 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will be sharing information concerning the beginning band program and the process of securing an instrument for your child. Representatives from **C.A. House Music, Inc. 236 West Sixth Avenue, Lancaster, OH (740-277-6676)** will be available to assist with rental/purchase contracts and to check any family-owned instruments to make sure that they are in working order.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>**

It is my hope that we can begin with instrumental instruction on this day.

**Important Dates to Remember:**

**Wednesday, December 7, 2022  
Bloom-Carroll Bands' Christmas Concert  
BCMS Gymnasium  
7:00 PM**

**Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Bloom-Carroll Bands' Spring Concert  
BCMS Auditorium  
3:00PM**

