## ALTHER GRADE SCHOOL INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM

Students in grades 4 – 8 can JOIN THE BAND!

## **ALL BAND STUDENTS RECEIVE**

- Weekly private 20-minute lessons during the school day at your child's school. Our teachers work diligently to schedule in conjunction with the classroom teacher.
- Partnership with students from 13 parochial schools in large group rehearsals, concerts, and festivals throughout Chicagoland and at Walther.
- The chance to participate in one of the three levels of Walther's popular Monday Night Band program.
- Training from professionally trained, advanced degree instructors.
- Assistance and resources from an outstanding high school music program.
- Motivation and FUN!





## **BEGINNER STUDENTS RECEIVE**

- A four-week Beginner Class in which students try each of the band instruments before deciding what instrument to play and learn basic music theory.
- Beginner Family Orientation (9/22-9/23)
- An instrument to use, free of charge, for the first year
- Group band rehearsals in Walther's Monday Night Beginner
  Band (optional)

(There is no obligation to continue after the four-week class)

## **OTHER ADVANTAGES**

- Musical
  - Learning advanced middle school and high school repertoire through the Monday Night Wind Bands
  - Receiving further motivation and training in technique at Walther's Biennial Instrumental Music Festival
- Social
  - Working together in large group rehearsals at school
  - Strengthening team-building and leadership skills through activities with students from other participating schools
- Academic
  - Learning to play an instrument and read music can assist in the development of reading, math, and fine-motor skills.
  - Students who participate actively in the band program can develop better time-management and personal responsibility



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